

ANNUAL REPORT



City of ROCHESTER New Hampshire

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1956



ROBERT W. WATSON, MAYOR

Sixty-fifth Annual Report
OF THE
City of Rochester
NEW HAMPSHIRE



For the Year Ending December 31st
Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-six

CITY GOVERNMENT

AS ORGANIZED JANUARY 1, 1956

Mayor, ROBERT W. WATSON

COUNCILMEN

Ward One—Sherman A. Chamberlain, Reginald G. Hurd, Sr.,
Richard N. Wiley.

Ward Two—Scott G. Winkley, John F. Campbell, Floyd H.
Busch.

Ward Three—Sumner W. Watson, Edgar J. Carignan, Neree
Ancil.

Ward Four—J. Arthur Leblond, Marc E. Lemoyne, Sylvio A.
Levesque.

Ward Five—Edward H. Quimby, Jr., Elmer R. Waitt, Melvin
E. Downing.

Ward Six—Frank D. Callaghan, Jr., Carl Wentworth, Oscar
J. Turmelle.

City Clerk—D. Arlene Baker.

City Solicitor—Robert A. Carignan.

City Treasurer—Lorraine Callaghan.

City Accountant—Paul H. Bergeron.

Collector of Taxes—Downing W. Osborne.

Commissioner of Public Works—George C. Nadeau.

Marshal—Ernest J. Levesque.

Assistant Marshal—Nelson E. Goodfield.

Sergeant—Clarence A. Woods.

Patrolmen—Deus Levesque, Leland L. Waterhouse, Laurent
V. Autotte, Arnold Horn, Sidney J. Hurley, Nelson S.
Hatch, Joseph G. Zuromskis, Willis M. Hayes, Charles E.
Dame, Alvah L. Cox.

Chief Engineer of Fire Department—Ralph G. Seavey.

Deputy Chief Engineers of Fire Department—Frederic Cook-
son, Joseph E. Woodes, Charles R. Grenier, John Meader.

Overseer of Poor—Forrest L. Keay.

Sanitary Officer—Frank N. Dow.

City Physician—Charles E. Moors, Jr.

Board of Health—Forrest L. Keay, Frank N. Dow, Charles E. Moors, Jr.

Plumbers' Examining Board—Joseph A. Rainville, Beverly H. Davis, Frank N. Dow.

Assessors—Louis M. Boston, George J. Potvin, Albert R. Chalmers.

Trustees of Trust Funds—Wallace Hussey, Bernard F. Nixon, Walter A. Bickford.

Trustees of Public Library—Reginald G. Hurd, Sr., Winifred E. Hartigan, Sumner W. Watson, Lucien G. Paradis, Albert C. Hervey, Harold E. Copeland.

Licensing Board—Mayor Robert W. Watson, City Marshal Ernest J. Levesque, City Accountant Paul H. Bergeron.

Manager of City Hall Auditorium—Frank B. Miller.

Building Inspector—Miles H. Dustin.

Janitor—Odilon Ferland.

Janitor, East Rochester Hall—Everett H. Johnson.

Janitor, Gonic Hall—Telles Dolbec.

Scaler of Weights and Measures—Clifford J. Grenier.

Public Weighers—Dana Copp, Chester A. Davis, J. Raymond Fisher, Wallace N. Fisher, Miles Hill, Robert Hussey, Charles Mattocks, J. A. Morrill, Albert C. Mortimer, Roger E. Page, Orlando E. Pickering, Hill Pollard, George Sewell, Chester H. Smith, Olive Page Tufts, Albert Warburton, Joseph Woodes, Bert Woodward.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Arthur Bonenfant, Frank Hazelton, George J. Potvin, Arthur S. Wallace, Walter Williams.

Fence Viewers—Harry F. Lemke, Frank B. Pinkham.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1956

Finance—Mayor, Watson, Waitt.

Public Works—Mayor, Watson, Callaghan, Levesque, Leblond, Carignan, Hurd.

Police Budget Committee—Mayor, Lemoyne, Wentworth.

Fire Department—Levesque, Winkley, Quimby.

Legal Affairs—Mayor, Campbell, Wiley.

Claims and Accounts—Mayor, Leblond, Quimby.

Public Buildings—Callaghan, Ancil, Busch.

Purchasing—Mayor, Lemoyne, Wentworth.

Traffic—Carignan, Downing, Busch.

Street Lights—Winkley, Lemoyne, Turmelle.

Elections—Hurd, Turmelle, Chamberlain.

Bills in Second Reading—Campbell, Ancil, Downing.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ernest W. Campbell, Chairman; Albert C. Hervey, Secretary;
Donald Keller, John C. Richardson, Jr., Ludger J. Cossette.

ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD

Mayor Robert W. Watson; Paul H. Bergeron, Secretary; Sylvio A. Levesque, Ernest L. Rolfe, John Meader, Dennis E. Brennan, J. Paul LaRoche, Herve E. Lagasse, Albert L. Mabbett.

SELECTMEN AS OF 1956

Ward One—Glover Robinson, George Pray, Quentin McKenney.

Ward Two—Donald D. Beaudoin, Randolph Conrad, Thomas Powers.

Ward Three—Rita L. Carignan, Priscilla Couture, Diana La-chapelle.

Ward Four—Herve J. Martel, Philip Perrault, Roger Larochelle.

Ward Five—Albert C. Hervey, Melvin Downing, William E. Gerrish.

Ward Six—Vernon E. Hersom, Frank Muggleston, Philip Estes

IMPORTANT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDERS

Passed by the City Council 1956

RESOLUTION TO BORROW MONEY IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Finance Committee be authorized to hire in anticipation of taxes, a sum not exceeding four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000.00). Said sum to be hired on notes of the City at such time as the best interest of the City requires.

Passed January 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR EXPENDITURES PENDING THE PASSAGE OF THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION MEASURE

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That pending the passage of the annual appropriation measure for the fiscal year 1956, the Mayor be and hereby is authorized and empowered to validate orders on the City Treasurer for all duly approved and properly classified claims for operating expenses of the City of Rochester or any of its Municipal Subdivisions.

Passed January 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE POLICE CRUISER

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Police Commission be authorized to exchange the present 1954 Police Cruiser for a new 1956 four-door sedan at a sum not to exceed One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, said sum to be drawn from the 1956 Police Budget.

Passed February 7, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS TO BE OPEN MARCH 13

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, the 13th of March, 1956, at the Primary Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 12 o'clock noon and shall close at 8 o'clock in the evening, Eastern Standard Time.

Passed February 7, 1956.

AMENDMENT RELATIVE TO PARKING ON BRIDGE STREET

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: 1. That Chapter XVI, Section 23, of the 1952 General Ordinances, as amended, be further amended as follows:

A. To read: "Southerly side of Bridge Street between River Street and North Main Street and the northerly side of Bridge Street from the bridge to River Street" instead of "Southerly side of Bridge Street between River Street and North Main Street." The remainder of Section 23 to remain as present.

This Amendment to go into effect upon its passage.

Passed February 7, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON EQUALIZATION OF VALUATIONS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: Whereas, it has been known for many years that the valuations of this City have been far from being on an equalized basis,

Therefore, be it resolved that the sum of \$10,000.00 be and is hereby appropriated to be applied to the annual budget, for the purpose of placing the property of the City of Rochester on an equalized basis.

This work to be done by the Assessors under the supervision of the Finance Committee.

Passed March 6, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON WEEKLY WAGE OF ALL FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That an increase of \$3.00 per week be added to the weekly wage of all full-time employees of the City who were working full time on January 1, 1956, the same to be charged to the budget, and this resolution to become effective on April 2, 1956.

Passed March 6, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: 1. That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$10,306.00 (ten thousand three hundred six dollars) upon such terms as they may deem to be for the best interest of the City, for the purchase of a new one-yard, four-wheel drive loader for the Public Works Department, and

2. That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$9,495.00 (nine thousand four

hundred ninety-five dollars) upon such terms as they may deem to be for the best interest of the City, for the purchase of a new bulldozer skid shovel for the Rubbish Division of the Public Works Department to replace the old bulldozer at the Dump, and

3. That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$1,900.00 (one thousand nine hundred dollars) upon such terms as they may deem to be for the best interest of the City, for the purchase of a one half-ton truck with service type body for the Water Division of the Public Works Department, and

4. That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding \$3,195.00 (three thousand one hundred ninety-five dollars) upon such terms as they deem to be for the best interest of the City, for the purchase of a new Chipper and Chain Saw for the Public Works Department, and

That said equipment be purchased by a joint Committee composed of the Public Works and Purchasing Committees.

Passed March 6, 1956.

AMENDMENT RELATIVE TO THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: 1. That Chapter XVIII, Section 17, of the 1952 General Ordinances, as amended, be further amended as follows:

A. By striking out the words, "Police Committee" and inserting in the place thereof the words "Traffic Committee" so that said section shall read:

(The Traffic Committee may assign to each of said licensees for each vehicle so licensed one location in some part of the highway in the compact part of the City which shall be marked or designated as such and shall be reserved for the use of said licensee as a stand for said vehicle. No other person except said licensee or his employee shall stand or park his vehicle, nor any other vehicle, except said licensed vehicle, shall be stood or parked in said designated locations, except for the purpose and while actually engaged in taking on or leaving passengers, or for taking on or unloading merchandise. Each licensee shall pay to the City such sum as the City may expend in designating stopping places or taxi stands for each licensee.)

Passed April 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR PARKING LOTS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: 1. That the sum of \$16,575.00 be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of (1) demolishing the buildings situate on 19 through 35 Congress Street, (2) filling area to grade, (3) installing surface drainage, (4) fencing and surfacing the area, (5) installing islands, purchasing and installing

parking meters for the Congress Street and North Main Street parking lots, so-called.

2. That the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to borrow said sum on such terms as appear to be most advantageous to the City.

Passed April 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO REIMBURSE FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Rochester, N. H.: Inasmuch as the records indicate Tri State Gas & Supply Co. was granted permission to go ahead with the immediate construction of a sidewalk at their place of business at the meeting of the City Council on July 5, 1950, and the work was completed —

Be it resolved that the Finance Committee be and is hereby authorized to raise the sum of \$247.00 for this purpose in a manner deemed to be to the best advantage to the City of Rochester.

Passed April 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 1956 BUDGET

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of \$1,010,135.00 be and is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the City of Rochester for the ensuing year in accord with the budget herein adopted, and

That the sum of \$812,135.00 plus such overlay as may be necessary is hereby ordered and directed to be raised by taxation, on the polls and ratable estates within the said City.

Passed April 3, 1956.

RESOLUTION FOR GONIC HALL REPAIRS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That a sum not to exceed Thirteen Thousand (\$13,000.00) Dollars be and hereby is appropriated for the purpose of renovating the Gonic Town Hall.

Said sum to be raised by the Finance Committee by means deemed most advantageous to the City.

Passed May 1, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR SCHOOL SITE

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Rochester City Council approve the purchase of the proposed site on Brock Street as recommended by the School Board in a letter to the Council dated May 1, 1956, and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.00) Dollars to purchase the proposed site and building plans in

accordance with the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated.

Said sum to be raised by the Finance Committee by means deemed most advantageous to the City.

Passed May 1, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR SEWER
CONSTRUCTION AND A SEWER PUMP

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That a sum not to exceed Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-six (\$14,376.00) Dollars be and is hereby approved for the construction of sewerage and a sewer pump on the Salmon Falls Road, said sum to be raised by the Finance Committee by means most advantageous to the City.

Passed May 17, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR A
SWIMMING POOL

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the construction of the Community Swimming Pool at the Hanson Park, said sum to be raised by the Finance Committee by means most advantageous to the City; provided that the Rochester Community Activities Swimming Pool Committee raise an additional Twenty Thousand (\$20,000.00) Dollars for the construction of said Community Swimming Pool.

Passed May 17, 1956.

AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES ON
"NO PARKING"

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That Section 23 and Section 3 of Chapter XVI of the 1952 General Ordinances of the City of Rochester, as amended, be further amended by adding at the end of Section 23 the following new section:

No parking on the northerly side of River Street between a point ninety (90') feet westerly from North Main Street and North Main Street; northerly side of Pine Street between a point one hundred twenty-two (122') feet westerly from North Main Street and North Main Street; northwesterly side of Winter Street between eighty-five (85') feet northeasterly from South Main Street and South Main Street.

And by adding to the end of Section 3 the following new section:

No person between the hours of eight (8:00) o'clock A.M. and six (6:00) o'clock P.M. on all week days, shall be allowed or cause to stand a motor vehicle for more than five (5) minutes in front of the Gonic Post Office in those areas being noted as five (5) minute parking areas.

Passed June 5, 1956.

AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO DUTIES OF CITY SOLICITOR

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That Sections 2 and 3 of Chapter VI be amended by striking out the whole thereof and substituting in their places the following subsections:

Section 2. The City Solicitor shall appear and act as attorney for the City in all causes in any Court in which the City is interested. He shall when requested advise the City Council, any committee of the Council, any officer of the City or Head of any Department of the City as to questions of law relating to the performance of their official duties. He shall attend all Council meetings and when requested by the Mayor or City Council, attend all meetings of any committee of the Council. He shall draft or be responsible for drafting all legal instruments of whatsoever nature as may be required by ordinance or statute or requested by the City Council or committee of said Council or officer of the City. He shall act as attorney for the City in all matters concerning payment of debts due the City.

Section 3. At the close of each municipal year, he shall make a report in writing to the City Council of all civil suits or legal proceedings in which the City has any interest, begun, pending or determined during the year next preceding the time of making such report and any decree or judgment rendered during said year in which said City may be a party, and any other information that may be necessary.

Passed June 5, 1956.

AMENDMENT OF THE SALARY OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That Chapter XXIV, Section 3, Paragraph A, Subsection 3, be amended by striking out Subsection 3 and inserting in place thereof the following new Section: City Solicitor, \$3,000.00 payable quarterly. Provided, however, that any additional payments made to the City Solicitor over the amount of \$10.00 shall be first presented to the Mayor and City Council for their approval.

This act shall take effect upon its passage and shall be retroactive to January 1, 1956.

Passed June 5, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON OPTION TO GREATER ROCHESTER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the option to purchase land owned by the City of Rochester, situate in said Rochester on the westerly side of Charles Street, so-called, also known as the Old Dover Road, and northwesterly of and adjacent to right of way of the Boston & Maine Railroad, given to the Greater Rochester De-

velopment Corporation on June 21st, 1955, be extended for a period of one (1) year, the terms of the agreement to remain the same.

Passed June 5, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO BORROW MONEY IN
ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Finance Committee be authorized to hire in anticipation of taxes, a sum not exceeding Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars. Said sum to be hired on notes of the City at such times as the best interests of the City require.

Passed July 24, 1956.

AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES,
CHIEF OF POLICE

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the 1952 Ordinances of the City of Rochester, as amended, be further amended by striking out the words "City Marshal" and "Marshal" in Chapter V, Sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 and 12; Chapter VIII, Section 14; Chapter XIV, Sections 1 and 10; Chapter XVI, Sections 11, 13, 14, 17 and 21; Chapter XVIII, Sections 1, 23, and 24; Chapter XXV, Section 2, Paragraph C, Sub-Section 1, and Paragraph entitled "Provided"; Chapter XXVI, Section 2; Chapter XXIX, Section 1, and inserting in the place thereof the words "Chief of Police."

Passed August 7, 1956.

AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCES,
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the 1952 Ordinances of the City of Rochester, as amended, be further amended by striking out the words "Assistant Marshal" in Chapter V, Sections 3 and 4; Chapter VIII, Section 14; Chapter XXV, Section 2, Paragraph C, Sub-Section 2, and the Paragraph entitled "Provided"; Chapter XXVI, Section 2; Chapter XXIX, Section 1, and inserting in the place thereof the words "Deputy Chief of Police."

Passed August 7, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS OPEN

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, September 11, 1956, at the State Primary Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock in the evening, Daylight Saving Time.

Passed August 7, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR THE FOOTBRIDGE OVER THE COCHECO RIVER

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars be and hereby is appropriated to add to the previous sum of \$1,500.00 previously appropriated for survey be combined to survey and purchase steel girders for a footbridge over the Cocheco River. Said sum shall be raised by the Finance Committee by means deemed to be most advantageous to said City.

Passed October 2, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS OPEN

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, November 6, 1956, at the Biennial Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time.

Passed October 2, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON TIME POLLS OPEN

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That on Tuesday, December 4, 1956, at the City Election, the polling places in all six wards of the City of Rochester shall be open at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and shall close at 6 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time.

Passed October 2, 1956.

RESOLUTION FOR JOINT-COMMITTEE, SCHOOL BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL

Be it resolved: That the Rochester School Board recommends that the City Council authorize the present joint building committee of twelve members chosen in accordance with R.S.A. Chapter 199, Section 3 consisting of Mr. John Meader, Mr. Leo Beaudoin, Mr. Frederick Wagner, Dr. Percy Grigg, Mr. Herman Robinson, and Mrs. Tathiana Klinger of the School Board and Mr. Richard Wiley, Mr. John Campbell, Mr. Sumner Watson, Mr. Melvin Downing, Mr. Oscar Turmelle, and Mr. Marc Lemoyne of the Council and the Mayor ex-officio to serve as the building committee until such time as the project is completed with the power to obtain bids, negotiate contracts, build the school, purchase furniture and equipment, pay architect's fees and all other bills in connection with the project from a special account provided for this purpose including site development, insurance, the employment of a clerk of the works, and transact any other business that may be necessary to complete the project and provide the new school ready for use in September 1957.

Passed November 7, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO PAY COUNCILMEN

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That a sum not to exceed Ninety-five (\$95.00) Dollars shall be paid to each elected Councilman and to the City Clerk, for the year 1956, to apply against the expenses incurred by them in serving as Councilmen and Clerk for the City of Rochester for the year 1956.

Passed December 6, 1956.

RESOLUTION IN CLOSING THE ACCOUNTS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That if found necessary in closing the accounts of the year to transfer from a Department where there is a balance to a Department where there is a deficit, the Committee on Finance be authorized to make such transfer.

Passed December 6, 1956.

RESOLUTION ON WEEKLY WAGE BONUS

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the weekly wage or salary of each full-time employee of the City, with the exception of the Chief of Police, the Chief of the Fire Department, the Commissioner of Public Works, and the City Engineer in the Public Works Department, but including the Sanitary Officer, be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which he is entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, or existing pay schedules, the amount of five dollars (\$5.00) per week for the year 1957;

That the weekly salaries of the Chief of Police and the Chief of the Fire Department shall each be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which they are entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, the amount of seven dollars (\$7.00) per week for the year 1957; and

That the weekly salary of the Commissioner of Public Works be and is hereby increased by adding to the sum to which he is entitled under the 1952 General Ordinances, the amount of six dollars (\$6.00) per week, \$3.50 of the above sum to be chargeable to the Highway Division and \$2.50 per week to be chargeable to the Water Division of the Department of Public Works, for the year 1957.

Passed December 6, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FOR
NEW SCHOOL

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Rochester City Council raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred and sixteen thousand dollars (\$316,000) for the construction, equipment and furnishings of a new elementary school building, including landscaping, site development for school building and playground area,

architect's and legal fees, insurance, clerk of works' salary, and cost of bond issue; and in order to raise such sums, the issuance of serial notes or bonds on the credit of the City of Rochester, N. H., for a sum not to exceed three hundred and sixteen thousand dollars (\$316,000) be authorized, and the Finance Committee of the Council be empowered to determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds will be issued, including their sale and the time and place of payment of principal and interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 33, and any amendments relating thereto.

Passed December 18, 1956.

RESOLUTION TO SELL OLD GRADER

Be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester: That the Public Works and Finance Committees be and are hereby empowered to sell the old Adams Grader, Model No. 312, the money to be used for the purchase of equipment for the Public Works Department.

Passed December 18, 1956.

ASSESSORS' INVENTORY

Land and buildings		\$12,288,025.00
Mills and machinery		1,707,155.00
Electric plants	1	620,000.00
Dragline	1	500.00
Stock in trade		2,137,325.00
Boats and launches	7	70.00
Horses	45	4,500.00
Cows	612	61,200.00
Other neat stock	36	1,800.00
Sheep and goats	162	1,620.00
Hogs	10	100.00
Fowls	16,834	12,625.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		20,645.00
Portable mills and machinery	5	2,500.00
Fur-bearing animals	15	450.00
Wood, lumber, etc.		23,444.00
		<u>\$16,881,959.09</u>

Polls	5,915	11,830.00
National bank stock taxes		1,553.04
Amount of taxes to be committed to collector, including poll taxes and national bank taxes		811,505.99
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers		919,500.00

Tax rate for the year 1956 50.00

LOUIS M. BOSTON,
GEORGE J. POTVIN,
ALBERT R. CHALMERS,
Assessors.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith are the reports of the financial condition of the City of Rochester for the General Fund and for the Rochester Water Works on December 31, 1956. The exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of this report.

The Funded Debt on December 31, 1956, is \$869,037.02. This is an increase of \$38,784.32 over a year ago, which is accounted for as follows:

Notes Issued:		
General Fund	\$98,191.93	
Water Fund	11,489.09	\$109,681.02
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Less Notes Paid:		
General Fund	\$55,896.70	
Water Bonds	15,000.00	70,896.70
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Increase in Funded Debt		<u>\$38,784.32</u>

The General Fund Budget Operations for the fiscal year 1956 show a balance of revenues over charges of \$26,802.66

The General Fund Revenue Surplus Account at the end of 1956 is \$52,681.74. The entries affecting this account during 1956 are as follows:

Balance—January 1, 1956		
General Fund	\$36,939.76	
Federal Aid—Schools	2,289.84	\$39,229.60
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Add:		
Timber Tax—Reserve	\$1,557.79	
Sewer Construction	9,400.76	
Appropriation—		
unexpended	12.38	
1956 Budget Surplus	26,802.66	
Federal Aid—Schools	16,738.28	\$54,511.87
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Total		<u>\$93,741.47</u>
Less:		
Taxes—Deeded Property	\$59.73	
1956 Budget	28,000.00	
Federal Aid—Schools	13,000.00	\$41,059.73
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Balance—December 31, 1956

General Fund	\$46,653.62	
Federal Aid—Schools	6,028.12	\$52,681.74
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The Rochester Water Works Revenue Surplus on December 31, 1956, is \$148,666.18, or an increase of \$6,929.47. This represents the net profit from operations for the year 1956.

In my opinion, the attached exhibits present the financial condition of the municipality on December 31, 1956, in conformity with generally accepted municipal accounting principles consistent with those of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL H. BERGERON,
City Accountant.

Exhibit 1—General Fund—Balance Sheet

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash, General Funds:

In Bank	\$18,022.84
In hands of City Clerk	14,545.96

Accounts Receivable:

Job Work	3,404.39
Special Sewer Fund	38,583.22
Tax Liens	1,455.52
Taxes, 1956, uncollected	45,277.83
Timber Taxes, uncollected	2,760.42
Head Taxes, 1956, uncollected	9,639.00

Materials, Inventory as at December

31, 1956	1,834.89
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Deferred Charges

	5,293.91
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School land and bridge beams

	10,852.00
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Total Assets	<u>\$151,669.98</u>
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LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable:

General Obligations	\$29,449.84
Accruals	3,258.25
State of New Hampshire Head Tax	10,745.00
Special Appropriations, unexpended	
Balances	4,886.64
Notes Payable, Sewer Fund	37,720.93

Deferred Credits:

Departmental Credits, pending Col- lection	3,404.39
Special Fund Balances	3,586.74

Reserves:

Tax Abatements	4,262.95
Veterans, World War II, Burial Lot	1,673.50
Revenue Surplus—Fed. Aid School	6,028.12
Revenue Surplus—General	46,653.62

Total Liabilities	<u>\$151,669.98</u>
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Exhibit 2—Capital Fund

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

ASSETS

Real Estate:

Land and Buildings	\$1,440,169.61	
Personal Property	1,513,635.37	
Future Taxation to Retire Debt	256,750.00	
Municipal Investment in Water Works	356,393.69	
Trust Funds (See Exhibit 7)	70,870.82	
Total		<u>\$2,637,819.49</u>

LIABILITIES

Funded Debt:

Bonds:

Water Construction	\$620,000.00
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Notes:

Special Water Fund—Mains	11,489.09
Special Sewer Fund—Mains	37,720.93
Sewer Construction	21,900.00
Swimming Pool	20,000.00
General Equipment	76,352.00
Isinglass River Bridge	5,000.00
Highway Construction	9,500.00
Gonic River Bridge	7,500.00
Storm Damage 1954	12,000.00
Parking Lot—Congress St.	34,575.00
Gonic Town Hall	13,000.00

Trust Funds:

Principal	\$68,660.39	
Income, unexpended ..	2,210.43	
		70,870.82

Capital Surplus	1,697,911.65
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Total	<u>\$2,637,819.49</u>
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Exhibit 3—Comparative Summary of Revenues and Expenditures

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

Revenues	Estimate	Actual	Over Estimate	Under Estimate
Tax Levy,	\$812,135.00	\$812,416.64	\$281.64	
Auto Permits,	67,000.00	66,650.73		\$349.27
School,	27,000.00	27,784.31	784.31	
State of N. H.,	60,000.00	59,882.03		117.97
Revenue Surplus,	20,000.00	28,000.00	8,000.00	
Parking Meters,	5,000.00	5,000.00		
Miscellaneous Income,	19,000.00	24,913.70	5,913.70	
	\$1,010,135.00	\$1,024,647.41	\$14,979.65	\$467.24
Actual Income over estimate,	14,512.41			14,512.41
Totals,	\$1,024,647.41	\$1,024,647.41	\$14,979.65	\$14,979.65

EXPENDITURES

	Appro- priation	Net Expend.	Appropriation Balances	Deficits
Administration:				
Salaries,	\$29,450.00	\$31,429.33		\$1,979.33
General,	4,800.00	5,714.53		914.53
Elections and Registrations,	5,500.00	4,654.00	\$846.00	
Public Buildings:				
Janitors,	5,910.00	5,870.95	39.05	
Fuel,	3,500.00	3,846.20		346.20
Lighting,	1,200.00	1,260.28		60.28
Insurance,	2,750.00	2,437.38	312.62	
Other Supplies and Expenses,	1,000.00	1,443.32		443.32
Schools,	433,332.00	433,321.06	10.94	
Public Library,	17,000.00	16,000.00	1,000.00	
East Rochester Library,	600.00	600.00		
Police,	56,895.00	56,853.21	41.79	
Municipal Court,	2,280.00	2,280.00		
Fire,	72,191.00	69,812.54	2,378.46	
Health:				
Salaries,	3,071.00	2,778.97	292.03	
Public Welfare:				
Administration,	2,600.00	2,746.41		146.41
Direct Relief,	22,600.00	16,736.19	5,863.81	
Old Age Assistance,	18,600.00	15,905.61	2,694.39	
Debt Retirement,	53,837.00	53,896.70		59.70
Interest,	10,200.00	11,232.65		1,032.65

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Street Lighting,	25,800.00	25,948.87		148.87
Traffic Lights,	400.00	435.41		35.41
County Tax,	61,726.00	66,422.40		4,696.40
Legal Adjustment,	100.00		100.00	
Employees:				
Retirement,	9,100.00	5,089.48	}	1,535.84
Social Security,		5,546.36		
Building Inspection,	2,600.00	2,636.41		36.41
Planning Board,	100.00		100.00	
Highways:				
Commissioner's				
Salary,	2,682.00	2,917.42		235.42
Maintenance Pay				
Rolls,	39,000.00	34,774.47	4,225.53	
Street Cleaning,	8,500.00	9,022.20		522.20
Snow Removal				
and Sanding,	18,500.00	29,667.24		11,167.24
Road Materials,	11,000.00	8,545.20	2,454.80	
Gas, Oil and				
Tires,	8,000.00	6,701.93	1,298.07	
Repairs to Equip-				
ment,	7,500.00	4,437.63	3,062.73	
Surface Drains				
and Culverts	4,000.00	2,535.11	1,464.89	
Sidewalk Repairs,	200.00	146.98	53.02	
Bridge Repairs,	1,000.00	838.13	161.87	
Cutting Bushes,	2,000.00	877.10	1,122.90	
Town Road Aid:				
App. "A,"	1,480.00	1,480.03		.03
App. "B,"	6,130.00	6,130.00		
Power and Light,	500.00	457.76	42.24	
Fuel,	1,500.00	1,466.00	34.00	
Insurance,	3,065.00	2,881.57	183.43	
Telephones,	450.00	565.56		115.56
Other Supplies				
and Expenses,	2,000.00	1,665.71	334.29	
Sidewalk Con-				
struction,	1,000.00	518.92	481.08	
Rubbish,	20,000.00	18,878.45	1,121.55	
Sewer Main-				
tenance,	4,500.00	5,989.74		1,489.74
Shade Trees, Parks				
and Commons,	2,500.00	2,455.91	44.09	
Garage at Dump,	500.00	412.91	87.09	
Sidewalk Reimburse-				
ments,	1,936.00	1,935.25	.75	
Recreation:				
Playgrounds,	2,500.00	2,223.81	276.19	
Tax Readjust-				
ment,	10,000.00	2,950.46	7,049.54	
District Nurse				
Association,	900.00	900.00		
Public Band Con-				
certs,	600.00	600.00		
Civil Defense,	100.00	21.00	79.00	

Memorial and Veterans Days,	500.00	500.00		
Christmas Decorations,	200.00	200.00		
Chamber of Commerce,	250.00	250.00		
	<u>\$1,010,135.00</u>	<u>\$997,844.75</u>	<u>\$37,255.79</u>	<u>\$24,965.54</u>
Budget in excess of Expenses,		12,290.25		12,290.25
	<u>\$1,010,135.00</u>	<u>\$1,010,135.00</u>	<u>\$37,255.79</u>	<u>\$37,255.79</u>

SUMMARY

Actual Income over Estimates,	\$14,512.41
Budget over actual expenses,	<u>12,290.25</u>
1956 Budget Surplus,	<u>\$26,802 66</u>

Exhibit 4—Real Estate and Personal Property

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1955

	Real Estate	Personal Property	Total
City Hall,	\$139,911.49	\$11,213.38	\$151,124.87
Fire Stations:			
Central Station,	20,000.00	115,528.94	135,528.94
East Rochester Station,	6,000.00		6,000.00
Tiger Engine House,	4,000.00		4,000.00
Public Library,	57,000.00	18,691.98	75,691.98
Police Department,		15,799.01	15,799.01
Parking Meters,		13,430.03	13,430.03
Hot Top Plant,	500.00		500.00
Municipal Garage,	46,164.57	170,885.51	217,050.08
Schools:			
Spaulding High,	875,000.00	136,180.36	1,011,180.36
Maple Street,	70,000.00	7,062.24	77,062.24
Allen,	25,000.00	4,724.43	29,724.43
School Street,	20,000.00	4,494.51	24,494.51
Gonic,	20,000.00	4,484.73	24,484.73
East Rochester,	12,000.00	4,639.32	16,639.32
Parks and Commons,	102,336.20		102,336.20
Water Works,	356,393.69*		356,393.69
Ward House, Ward Four,	5,500.00		5,500.00
Bonney Lot, Farming- ton Road,	500.00		500.00
City Dump Lot, Farm- ington Road,	325.00		325.00
McDuffee Lot, Farm- ington Road,	75.00		75.00
Dunlap Lot, Farming- ton Road,	250.00		250.00
Gravel Pit, Charles Street,	775.00		775.00
Hanson Lot, Salmon Falls Road,	100.00		100.00
Ward House, Ward 6, Went- worth Street,	1,500.00	254.13	1,754.13
American Legion Building,	6,700.00		6,700.00
Garland Property, East Rochester,	400.00		400.00
Sundry Real Estate, acquired, by Tax Collector deeds,	1,450.00		1,450.00
Materials Inventory,		1,834.89	1,834.89
Sewerage Department, Equipment,		6,177.80	6,177.80
Ward House, Ward Two,	900.00	69.00	969.00
Parking Lot Entrance,	225.00		225.00
Salt Shed,	3,557.35		3,557.35
Parking Lot, Congress St.,	20,000.00		20,000.00
	\$1,796,563.30	\$515,470.26	\$2,312,033.56

* This figure represents the capital contribution of the Municipality to the Water Works Division.

Exhibit 5—Funded Debt Outstanding

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

Year Payable	Highway Const.	Bridges Isinglass	Bridges Gonic	Storm Damage	Sewer Const.	Congress St. Park. Lot	General Equip-ment	Parking Lot and Gonic Hall	Swimming Pool	Total Budget	Fund			Grand Total
											Sewer Mains	Water Mains	Water Bonds	
1957	\$9,500.	\$2,000.	\$1,250.	\$3,000.	\$2,800.	\$2,000.	\$28,976.	\$3,000.	\$2,000.	\$54,526.	\$25,720.93	\$11,489.09	\$15,000.	\$106,736.02
1958		2,000.	1,250.	3,000.	5,100.	2,000.	18,080.	3,000.	2,000.	36,430.	2,000.00		15,000.	53,430.00
1959		1,000.	1,250.	3,000.	2,800.	2,000.	12,200.	3,000.	2,000.	27,250.	2,000.00		15,000.	44,250.00
1960			1,250.	3,000.	2,800.	2,000.	12,200.	3,000.	2,000.	26,250.	2,000.00		15,000.	43,250.00
1961			1,250.		2,800.	2,000.	4,896.	3,000.	2,000.	15,946.	2,000.00		15,000.	32,946.00
1962			1,250.		2,800.	2,000.		3,000.	2,000.	11,050.	2,000.00		20,000.	33,050.00
1963			1,250.		2,800.	2,000.		3,000.	2,000.	9,800.	2,000.00		20,000.	31,800.00
1964						2,000.		3,000.	2,000.	7,000.			20,000.	27,000.00
1965						2,000.		3,000.	2,000.	7,000.			20,000.	27,000.00
1966								2,575.	2,000.	4,575.			465,000.	469,575.00
and on														
	\$9,500.	\$5,000.	\$7,500.	\$12,000.	\$21,900.	\$18,000.	\$76,352	\$29,575.	\$20,000.	\$199,827.	\$37,720.93	\$11,489.09	\$620,000.	\$869,037.02

FUNDED DEBT ANALYSIS

	General			Sewer-Main			Water			Total	
										Water Bonds	Total
Balance January 1, 1956	\$179,252.70			\$16,000.00			\$11,489.09			\$635,000.00	\$830,252.70
Issued	74,471.00			23,720.93							109,681.02
Total	\$253,723.70			\$39,720.93			\$11,489.09			\$635,000.00	\$939,933.72
Paid	53,896.70			2,000.00						\$15,000.00	70,896.70
	\$199,827.00			\$37,720.93			\$11,489.09			\$620,000.00	\$869,037.02

Exhibit 6—Summary of Taxes Collected by Tax Collector

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1956

1955 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Balance, uncollected on January 1, 1956,	\$45,892.87	
Cash in Collector's hands January 1, 1956,	100.00	
Added List:		
Property,	101.80	
Polls,	518.00	
Interest on delinquent payments,	847.37	
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Total charges to Tax Collector,		<u>\$47,460.04</u>
Credits:		
Abatements—property,	\$515.83	
Abatements—polls,	888.00	
Bank Deposits by Tax Collector,	46,956.21	
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Total Credits to Tax Collector,		<u>\$47,460.04</u>

1956 PROPERTY AND POLL TAXES

Committed by Assessors:		
Property,	\$798,122.95	
Polls,	11,830.00	
National Bank Stock Tax,	1,553.04	
Added List:		
Property,	1,560.50	
Polls,	540.00	
Interest on delinquent payments,	29.55	
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Total charges to Collector,		\$813,636.04
Credits:		
Abatements—Property,	\$2,839.84	
Bank deposits by Tax Collector,	765,518.37	
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Total Credits,		<u>\$768,358.21</u>
Balance, uncollected on December 31, 1956,		<u>\$45,277.83</u>

1955 HEAD TAXES

Balance, uncollected January 1, 1955,	\$7,778.00	
Added List,	3,542.50	
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Total Debits,		\$11,320.50
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Credits:		
Bank Deposits by Tax Collector,	\$8,335.50	
Abatements,	2,985.00	
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Total Credits,		\$11,320.50
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1956 HEAD TAXES

Committed by Assessors,	\$38,095.00	
Added List,	1,310.00	
Total Debits,		\$39,315.00
Bank Deposits by Tax Collector,		29,676.09
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Balance, uncollected on December 31, 1956,		\$9,639.00
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Exhibit 7—Trust Funds Account

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

PRINCIPAL

Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Income on hand Jan. 1, 1956	INCOME Income Rec'd During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1874	Adams Fund (Seth Adams and Lewis Tibbetts)	Poor Widows, orphans and maiden ladies	\$12,800.00	\$365.49	\$320.00	\$300.00	\$385.49
1915	Abbott Cemetery Fund (Priscilla J. Abbott)	Care of family lot	300.00		7.50	7.50	
1921	Boothby Cemetery Fund (Edwin L. Shorey)	Care of Boothby burial lot	100.00		2.50	2.50	
1933	Brown Cemetery Fund (Mary A. Brown)	Care of Jenness Burial Ground	200.00	20.84	5.00	2.50	23.34
1913	Dore Cemetery Fund (Annie B. Dore)	Care of family burial lot	400.00		10.00	5.00	5.00
1911	Estes Cemetery Fund (Elizabeth C. Estes)	Care of Donor's burial lot	200.00		5.00	5.00	
1900	Farrington Jennie Annex Fund (Jennie Farrington)	Books for the Public Library	1,000.00		25.00	25.00	
1933	Felket, Samuel D. Fund (Mary D. Felker)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00		125.00	125.00	
1938	Greenfield, Charles and Aroline B. Fund (Sarah E. Young)	General Library purposes	5,000.00		125.00	125.00	
1941	Greenfield, John, Library Fund (Mary A. Green- field)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00		125.00	125.00	
1943	Hanscam, John, Trust (Etta R. Hanscam)	General Library purposes	5,000.00		125.00	125.00	

PRINCIPAL

Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Income on hand Jan. 1, 1956	INCOME Income Rec'd During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephriam O. Hammett)	Care of lot in Rochester Cemetery	200.00	376.23	5.00	5.00	376.23
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephriam O. Hammett)	Care of lot in Haven Hill Cemetery	50.00	76.05	1.26	1.26	76.05
1934	Hammett Cemetery Fund (Ephriam O. Hammett)	Care of John Clark Lot in Rochester Cemetery	25.00*	27.60	.77	.77	27.60
1916	Haven Hill Cemetery (Lewis W. Tibbetts)	Care of Haven Hill Cemetery	3,000.00		75.00	75.00	
1944	Hussey, Rear Adm. Charles L., USN Per. Mem. Fund (F. H. Bickford)	Senior at Spaulding High School	3,000.00	37.50	75.00	75.00	37.50
1927	McDuffee, John, Fund (Abbie McDuffee Chase)	Books for the Public Library	5,000.00		125.00	125.00	
1902	Moore Cemetery Fund (John E. Moore)	Donor's and other lots in Gonie Cemetery	200.00		5.00	5.00	
1907	Morrill Cemetery Fund (Lizzie A. Morrill)	Care of Donor's burial lot	100.00		2.50	2.50	
1890	Old Cen. Conser. Fund, Perpetua, Charles A. C. Hanson Et Als.	Care of Old Cem. and Spec. Lots	6,600.00 39.37*		166.22	166.22	
1951	Pray, George A. and Hattie A. Fund (George A. Pray)	Needy widows and maiden ladies of fifty years and over	7,675.00** 568.01*	461.80	231.68	249.32	444.16
1934	Torr Cemetery Fund (Mrs. Charles C. Torr)	Care of Torr family burial grounds					
1944	Trickey Cemetery Fund (Myra I. Ames)	Care of Cemetery on Chestnut Hill Road	100.00 150.00	3.29 41.51	2.50 3.74	2.50	3.29 45.25

PRINCIPAL

Year of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	Amount of Principal	Income on hand Jan. 1, 1956	INCOME Income Rec'd During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1940	Varney, Sarah L., Scholar- ship Fund	Rochester Women's Club Scholar- ship Books for the Public Library	5,000.00	62.50	125.00	125.00	62.50
1934	Willand Cemetery Fund (Charles W. Willand)	Care of Willand lots on Chestnut Hill Road	1,000.00		25.00	25.00	
1916	Wingate Cemetery Fund (Lewis W. Tibbetts)	Care of Wingate Family Lot	200.00*	80.43	6.05	6.05	80.43
		Sub Totals	200.00		5.00	5.00	
			\$68,107.38	\$1,553.24	\$1,729.72	\$1,716.12	\$1,566.84
SPECIAL FUNDS							
	Old Town Farm Cemetery Fund	(Created from sale of lots. Both principal and interest can be used)					
	Old Cemetery Specific Emergency Fund	(Created from Income of Old Cemetery Conservation Fund)		56.38	1.70		58.08
	Old Cemetery General Emergency Fund	(Created from Income of Old Cemetery Conservation Fund)		626.59	39.60	100.00	566.19
	50th Reunion Fund	(Created by the Rochester High School, Class of 1905)		4.93			4.93
		Capital gains during year					
			541.75***	6.73	14.39	6.73	14.39
			11.26*				
		Grand Totals					
			\$68,660.39	\$2,247.87	\$1,785.41	\$1,822.85	\$2,210.43

* \$843.64 Savings Account—Rochester Trust Co.
 ** 7,675.00 George and Hattie Pray Fund—U. S. Government Bonds
 *** 541.75 50th Reunion Fund
 59,600.00 Common Trust—U. S. Government Bonds

\$68,660.39
 23 Shares of Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund costing \$525.38

Exhibit 8—Rochester Water Works Division

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

ASSETS

Plant Assets:	1955	1956
Land,	\$22,208.50	22,208.50
Structures,	21,429.67	21,429.67
Water Supply Equipment,	58,630.87	58,630.87
Pumping Station Equipment,	2,457.24	2,457.24
Purification Equipment,	10,676.16	10,676.16
Transmission Mains,	648,891.45	649,891.45
Water Storage Equipment,	16,488.13	16,488.13
Distribution Mains,	477,069.67	477,069.67
Services,	98,570.71	103,128.15
Hydrants,	44,704.52	45,660.75
Meters,	54,283.73	56,948.17
Shop and Garage Equipment,	36,864.36	36,864.36
Office Equipment,	900.45	900.45
Total Plant Assets,	<u>\$1,493,175.46</u>	<u>\$1,502,353.57</u>
Current Assets:		
Cash in Bank and on Hand,	\$7,279.63	\$18,445.65
Accounts Receivable:		
Water,	\$42,652.06	\$43,970.66
Sundry,	3,414.37	4,935.85
Construction Fund,	10,763.64	18,027.42
Total,	<u>\$56,830.07</u>	<u>\$66,933.93</u>
Less—Reserve for Delinquent Accounts,	1,390.32	1,220.95
Total Accounts Receivable, Net,	<u>\$55,439.75</u>	<u>\$65,712.98</u>
Materials and Supplies Inventory,	\$14,477.29	\$10,263.15
Total Current Assets,	<u>\$77,196.67</u>	<u>\$94,421.78</u>
Prepaid Accounts:		
Insurance,	\$263.29	\$406.51
Taxes,	114.08	110.51
Total Prepaid Accounts,	<u>\$377.37</u>	<u>\$517.02</u>
Total Assets,	<u><u>\$1,570,749.50</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,597,292.37</u></u>

LIABILITIES

	1955	1956
Capital Liabilities:		
Water Bonds,	\$635,000.00	\$620,000.00
Water Notes,		11,489.09
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	\$635,000.00	\$631,489.09
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable,	1,432.75	2,495.47
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Accrued Liabilities:		
Interest,	\$2,645.83	\$2,583.33
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Reserves:		
Depreciation of Plant Assets,	\$389,369.87	\$414,407.78
Water Main Construction,	10,465.16	7,551.34
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Total Reserves,	\$399,835.03	\$421,959.12
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Capital Contributions:		
Municipality,	\$356,393.69	\$356,393.69
In aid of Construction,	33,705.49	33,705.49
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Total Capital Contributions,	\$390,099.18	\$390,099.18
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Surplus (Profit and Loss),	\$141,736.71	\$148,666.18
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Total Liabilities,	<u>\$1,570,749.50</u>	<u>\$1,597,292.37</u>

Exhibit 9—Rochester Water Works Division

COMPARATIVE OPERATING STATEMENT AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1956

Revenues:	
Commercial Sales,	\$71,854.99
Industrial Sales,	4,609.20
Hydrant Rentals,	180.00
Merchandise Sales and Job Work,	7,367.01
Other Income,	8,419.10
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Total Revenues,	\$92,430.30
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Operating Expenses:	
Water Supply Expenses:	
Superintendence,	\$300.00
Water Supply Labor,	1,663.99
Pumping Station Labor,	1,578.72
Miscellaneous Labor,	247.40
Pumping Station Supplies and Expenses,	198.15
Purification Supplies and Expenses,	1,657.79
Power Purchased,	1,797.08
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Total Water Supply Expenses,	\$7,443.13
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Distribution Expenses:	
Superintendence,	\$1,918.67
Engineering,	4,329.96
Maintenance Labor,	12,032.08
Meter Department Labor,	1,065.25
Other Supplies and Expenses,	1,168.97
Repairs to Mains,	314.12
Repairs to Services,	1,025.18
Repairs to Hydrants,	753.34
Repairs to Meters,	645.43
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Total Distribution Expenses,	\$23,253.00
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Other Expenses:	
Salaries,	\$2,600.00
Office and other General Expenses,	813.22
Insurance,	541.11
Shop,	1,035.57
Garage,	4,324.34

Taxes,	445.63
Interest,	15,625.00
Loss on Capital Assets Retired,	57.74
Freight,	169.07
Employees' Retirement,	3,918.80
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Total Other Expense,	\$29,530.48
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Total Operating Expense,	\$60,226.61
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Gross Profit before Depreciation,	\$32,203.69
Less—Depreciation,	25,274.22
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Net Profit to Surplus,	<u><u>\$6,929.47</u></u>

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

I submit for your consideration the report of the Public Works Department for the year ending December 31st, 1956.

The year started off with a seven-inch snowfall on the 3rd of January and we had snow storms right up to April 8th when we had a ten-inch snowfall. As late as Fast Day we had two inches of snow but that turned to rain. Winter set in again when we had five inches of wet snow on November 26th. Taking everything into consideration, it was a costly winter from the standpoint of snow removal. When the crews were not removing snow there were many days when it was necessary to salt and sand the highways and sidewalks to make driving and walking conditions safer for all concerned. Also, the crews were called out many nights during the season for salt and sanding operations in addition to removing snow.

Considerable patch was used as weather permitted and patch was mixed and stockpiled several times during the year.

Work was started on the John Whitehouse road with a view to tarring the Rochester end of this road. Gravel was hauled in and allowed to pack during the winter and it is hoped the road will be ready to tar early in 1957.

Shade trees were sprayed as has been the custom for many years.

Catch basins were cleaned in the spring and fall and culverts installed as required.

Summer, Kimball, and Allen Streets and Eastern Avenue to the Compact Line were resurfaced with hot top making a vast improvement in this section.

Ten thousand two hundred sixty-five cubic yards of gravel was hauled for the Congress Street Parking Lot the latter part of the year to allow it to pack during the winter season and it is planned to have this tarred and completed for use in the late spring of 1957.

Nearly a thousand square yards of sidewalks using asphalt material were laid during the year.

The Water and Sewer Divisions came in for their share of activity during the year. Water main extensions amounted to 4,558 feet of six-inch cement-lined cast iron pipe. There were 106 new service connections made and 19 services relaid. Two new hydrants were added to the system.

There were 66 new sewer connections made during the year. A new sewer pumping station was built off the Salmon Falls Road which will take care of a new development in that

section. In connection with this station 2,400 feet of 6-inch Class 100 and 1,700 feet of 6-inch Class 50 Johns-Manville Cement Asbestos Pipe was used. Sewer main extensions amounted to 2,404 feet using 6-inch Johns-Manville Cement Asbestos Pipe.

Late in the season the following pipe was laid under the roadbed of the new Spaulding Turnpike in connection with our water line off Brock St.:

- 144 feet 12-inch Cement Lined Pipe
- 128 feet 16-inch Cement Lined Pipe
- 128 feet 20-inch Cement Lined Pipe
- 124 feet 24-inch Cement Lined Pipe

The 24-inch pipe was laid and both ends plugged so it will not be necessary to dig up this highway for future expansion.

Our 12-inch water main on the Genic Road Route No. 125 was relaid from the plant of the Allied New Hampshire Gas Co. south a distance of 1,442 feet. This was made necessary because of construction on the Spaulding Turnpike.

I take this opportunity to thank our Mayor, members of the City Council and our Public Works Committee for their assistance and consideration throughout the year. I, also, wish to express my appreciation to the employees of the Public Works Department for their loyalty and cooperation.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE C. NADEAU,
Commissioner.

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report of the activities of the Rochester Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1956:

Criminal Arrests	255
Motor Vehicle Arrests	311
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	566

These arrests were made by:

Rochester Police Department	479
State Police	54
Motor Vehicle Department	2
Probation Department	11
Sheriff's Department	4
Conservation Department	2
Milton Police Department	14
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	566

These cases were disposed of as follows:

Brought before the court and sentenced	411
Released to other Departments	11
Dismissed	7
Found not guilty	12
Released after safekeeping	108
Failed to appear	2
Bound over for Superior Court	15
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	566

Money received from Parking Meters	\$16,011.03
Money received from parking fines	\$1,159.25
Money received from Beano Permits	\$700.00
Buildings checked	223
Traffic investigations	182
Traffic deaths	1
Accidents reported at station	393
Motor vehicle arrests	311
Criminal arrests	147
Summons issued	130
Warnings given	91
Complaints answered	1,371
Aid to other departments	352
Lodgers	275
Calls for the ambulance	124
Personal injuries, auto	55
Animals killed or hit	112
Aids to individuals	745
Simple drunks	108

Pay roll and store escorts	204
Traffic details	123
Report of street and traffic lights out	430
Special officer assignments	4
Breaking, entering and larceny	4
Juveniles	45
Picked up for questioning	22

The following comparisons are submitted to indicate the increase in the volume of arrests and other activities in the past year.

	1955	1956
Total Criminal Arrests	236	255
Total Motor Vehicle Arrests	168	311
Motor Vehicle Deaths ..	5	1
Meter Collections	\$15,298.71	\$17,170.28

The amount of money that has been received from Court fines and fees may be found in the annual report which is submitted by the Clerk of the Municipal Court.

The year just past, saw many changes and, I believe, improvements in the Police Department. In January, 1956, our new ambulance was delivered, and has on many occasions since that time proved its value in taking the sick and the injured to the hospital.

The Police Department is constantly being asked to provide more and varied services. In the year 1956, the Department has added two men, and in doing this we have provided more police service in the villages of Gonic and East Rochester and more men on traffic duty in the City on the busy days of the week. In reading this annual report it will be noted that the number of arrests increased over that of 1955, also that we had five motor vehicle deaths in 1955 and only one in 1956.

I believe that it would be wise to turn in our motor-powered painting machine, for this painting machine is a 1947 model and it cannot do a good job in painting the streets and has now reached the repair stage. It will be to the City's financial advantage to change it. I believe that the new machine should be bought from the Parking Meter receipts as in the past.

I would like at this time, to express my sincere appreciation to His Honor the Mayor, the members of the City Council and to the Police Commissioners for the very fine cooperation and assistance rendered to us during the past year. I also wish to extend my thanks to the other members of the police department for their loyalty and devotion to duty, and to the various other Municipal, County and State Departments for their interest and assistance with the problems of this department during the year just ended.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST J. LEVESQUE,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF CITY SOLICITOR

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

During the year 1956, the scope of the Solicitor's duties has, by ordinance, been increased to afford the thirteen Committees of the City Council and Department Heads further legal assistance in their various duties and it has been my pleasure to attend Council and Committee Meetings, and when requested, to render legal opinions.

All but one of the several claims presented to the City have been disposed of without litigation, and there are no law suits pending against the City at this time.

I wish to express my appreciation for the co-operation and assistance given me by the Honorable Mayor and Gentlemen of the City Council as well as all other City Officials during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. CARIGNAN,
City Solicitor.

REPORT OF CLERK OF MUNICIPAL COURT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Rochester, N. H.:

I herewith submit a statement of the condition of the Finances of the Rochester Municipal Court as of December 31, 1956.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1956	\$45.48
Balance in checking account January 1, 1956	6.24
Received from fines and fees	8,146.00
Received from sale of civil writs, entry fees and executions	59.05
	\$8,256.77

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid to City Treasurer	\$2,350.00
Paid to Motor Vehicle Department	5,289.30
Paid to Fish and Game Commission	22.50
Paid to Unemployment Compensation Division	27.00
Witnesses and other fees	56.30
Printing, supplies and stenographic hire	202.70
Associate Justice	230.00
Bank charges	7.56
Bond premium	5.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1956	35.09
Balance in checking account December 31, 1956	31.32
	\$8,256.77

NUMBER OF CRIMINAL CASES

Complaints filed as follows:	
Local Police Department	368
State	67
County	3
Fish and Game	2
Unemployment Compensation	12
Milton	3
	455
Civil Cases	6
Juvenile Cases	45
Small Claims	164
	215
Total number of cases	670

VICTOR CARDOSI,
Clerk.

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of Victor Cardosi, Clerk of Municipal Court of Rochester, for the year ending December 31, 1956, and I find them as set forth in the above statement with all payments to the Treasurer and otherwise properly receipted for, together with a cash balance on hand of \$35.09 and checking account balance of \$31.32.

LEONARD C. HARDWICK,
Justice.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council, Rochester, N. H.:
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1956.

I have tested and sealed:

Scales	185
Gasoline Pumps	102
Kerosene Pumps	2
Grease Pumps	36
Liquid Measures	146
Yardsticks	19
Cloth and Leather Measures	3
Rechecks	137

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD J. GRENIER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1956.

There were 262 Alarms in the City of Rochester, which consisted of 48 Box Alarms and 214 Still Alarms. These include 17 Car or Truck Fires, 4 Engineers' Calls, 14 Out-of-Town Calls, 16 Brush Fires, 2 False Alarms in Rochester, 3 False Alarms in East Rochester and 3 False Alarms in Gonic. 33 Chimney Fires, 13 Grass Fires, 14 Oil Burners, 34 Property Fires, and 109 Miscellaneous Calls.

There were 19 Calls in East Rochester, and 11 Calls in Gonic.

There were 3 Special Signals; 1 Girl Scouts—No Session, 1 Civil Defense—Air Raid Alert, and 1 Permanent Men's Call.

Estimated Value of Buildings	\$2,502,835.00
Insurance on same	1,288,135.00
Insurance Paid	9,788.02
Estimated Value of Contents	710,500.00
Insurance on same	506,440.00
Insurance Paid	7,865.36

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to His Honor, The Mayor, Members of the City Council, the Committee on Fire Department, the Police Department, the Board of Deputies, Members of the Department, and to all other persons who have rendered us help throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH G. SEAVEY,
Chief Engineer.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

We hereby submit our report for the year ending December 31, 1956:

Number of infectious or contagious diseases reported:

Measles	4
Chicken pox	87
German measles	11
Scarlet fever	23
Impetigo	5
Scabies	7
Ringworm	1
Streptococcic throat	6
Whooping cough	2
Clinics:	
Well baby—10 infants and 23 pre-school attended	
T. B. Clinics—4 held during year—125 attended	
Mental hygiene—124 attended	
Polio vaccine given to 712	
Whole number of deaths excluding stillbirths for year	206
Number of stillbirths	18
Number of deaths from cancer	26
Number of deaths from cardio-renal and arterio-sclerosis diseases	113

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. MOORS, M. D.,
FRANK N. DOW, Health Officer,
LEO E. BEAUDOIN, Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester, N. H.:

The following shows the names and amounts of direct relief furnished each applicant by the City of Rochester, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1956.

Merle Little	\$6.00
Elmer Rennie	8.22
Wilfred Doyon	39.00

Chester Stewart	142.15
James Pierce	136.50
Charles H. Brown	544.30
John W. Hussey	99.48
Henry Elkins	290.00
George Powell	48.00
Frank Pineo	18.00
Raymond Pouliot	10.00
Minnie Malsbury	35.00
Annie Abbott	147.00
Leo P. Mailhot	20.00
Joan Gray	40.00
Florence Masury	139.24
Arnold McCrillis	185.75
Lucien Boucher	351.00
Clarence H. Smith	37.50
Eva M. Coram	319.02
Amanda Crawford	520.00
Virginia Douglas	265.49
Chester Whitney	77.90
Philip Bartlett	589.25
George Dunnells	646.51
Laura Dunnells	84.88
Llewellyn Robinson	363.25
Clyde Preble	58.56
Walter Harriman	58.75
Alice Henry	42.90
Dolan Downs	182.70
Edmund Sylvain	180.00
Armand Potvin	180.35
Ida Fortin	67.94
Grace Eldridge	284.00
John Howard	547.93
Jos. William Boisvert	161.50
Francis Jarest	496.00
Louis Potvin	185.00
Edmund Young	282.78
Claude Towle	86.00
Grace Garland	22.50

Total amount for City relief \$8,000.35

Board and care cases—children:

Aloha and Gregory Morin	\$845.50
Carol and Linda Clement	840.00
Norman Therrien	420.00
Ralph Hayes	437.44
Lorraine Tuttle	436.25
Roland and Donna LaBrecque	829.39
Arthur, Edmond, Ralph and Albion Hartford	1,708.08
Robert Ricker	112.00
David Andrews	24.50
George O'Brien	423.90
Lawrence Rennie	497.95

Total amount board and care children \$6,574.01

Board and care—adults:	
John Phinney	\$375.47
Luella May	280.28
Joseph Perreault	40.00
Adelard Beriault	393.15
Mary Holland	115.28
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Total amount for board and care adults	\$1,204.18
Total amount for soldiers' aid	\$2,419.28
Office administration	\$2,786.71
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Total amount written	\$20,984.53
Refunds on direct relief:	
Grace Garland	\$55.00
Albion Hartford	289.00
Franklin LaBrecque	304.00
Henry Morin	232.00
John Phinney	197.70
Norma O'Brien	16.00
James B. Pierce	136.50
Llewellyn Robinson	50.00
Henry Elkins	186.60
George Dunnells	32.10
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Total refunds	\$1,498.90
Net amount for direct relief, board and care cases, soldiers' aid and admin- istration	\$19,485.63
Amount of appropriation	\$25,200.00
Old Age Assistance (25% paid by City of Rochester)	\$16,326.78
Refunds on Old Age Assistance:	
Mary O'Neil	\$55.72
Edith Hayes	37.38
Rena Walking	9.16
George T. Austin	13.72
George F. Flint	63.12
Cora Downs	63.75
Herbert Reed	23.62
Walter Heath	2.33
Alice Brock	56.25
Addie Foss	96.12
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Total refunds	\$421.17
Appropriation for Old Age Assistance	\$18,600.00

Respectfully submitted,

LEO E. BEAUDOIN,
Overseer of Poor.

In Memoriam



FORREST L. KEAY, M. D.

Served the City of Rochester as Overseer of the Poor
from
January 1, 1903 to April 27, 1956

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochester:

Herewith is a report of building in Rochester each month for the year 1956.

	New Houses	Apartments	Businesses	Garages	Miscellaneous	Total
Jan.	3	\$35,800	1	\$500	3	\$1,800
Feb.	1	9,000			4	6,600
Mar.	3	29,500			4	2,600
Apr.	6	61,000	2	\$3,500		
			1 Church & 4 Businesses			
May	26	174,000	1	3,000		
June	12	128,800	1	5,000		
July	3	48,000				
			1	2,200	6	4,300
			50,500	6	12	10,700
			1	5,300	14	942,40
			3	92,500	12	8,150
			3	5,700		
			1 Parish House	1	500	
			18,000			
Aug.	9	77,600			18	21,200
Sept.	10	98,500	2	29,000	11	8,200
Oct.	17	121,000	4	20,800	8	2,750
Nov.	4	33,000	1	5,000	6	5,100
Dec.	3	26,000	1	98,700	1	100
Total	97	\$842,200	25	\$338,200	29	\$22,800
					99	\$72,442.40
						255 \$1,292,142.40

Respectfully submitted,
MILES H. DUSTIN,
Building Inspector.

REPORT OF ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Mayor and the Board of Trustees of the Rochester Public Library:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1956.

At this time I wish to express my appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor, to the Board of Trustees, and to the members of the Library Staff.

Respectfully submitted,

M. FELICE BARIL,
Librarian.

TRUSTEES

ROBERT W. WATSON, *ex-officio*

MRS. JOHN L. HARTIGAN	Term expires 1956
REGINALD G. HURD	Term expires 1956
LUCIEN PARADIS	Term expires 1957
SUMNER W. WATSON	Term expires 1957
ALBERT C. HERVEY	Term expires 1958
HAROLD E. COPELAND	Term expires 1958

TREASURER

LORRAINE CALLAGHAN

STAFF

LIBRARIAN	M. FELICE BARIL
CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN	BERNICE E. TORR
ASSISTANTS	
MAUDE B. PLACE	
ELEANOR T. SMITH	
ROSE C. DANDROW	
PHYLLIS J. MACKAY, substitute	
CUSTODIAN OF LIBRARY BUILDING	
EDWARD J. DODIER	

LIBRARY HOURS

Mondays through Thursdays	2 P. M. to 8 P. M.
Fridays	2 P. M. to 9 P. M.
Saturdays	2 P. M. to 6 P. M.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Population served (U. S. Official Census, 1950)	13,776
Number of days open during the year	301

BOOKS

Volumes in the library January 1, 1956	57,678
Acquired during 1956:	
By purchase	737
By binding	17
By gift	49
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Withdrawn during 1956	58,481
Books in library January 1, 1957	4,794
Unaccessioned volumes in Franklin McDuffee Room ..	53,687
	1,836

PERIODICALS

Magazines and Newspapers:	
Library subscriptions placed for 1956	86
Gift and complimentary subscriptions	23

REGISTRATION

Borrowers registered during the year:	
Main library, including out-of-town subscribers	520
Total number of borrowers January 1, 1957	8,003

CIRCULATION

From the main library:	
Adult	31,201
Children's	21,922
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Total from the main library	53,123
Through East Rochester Agency	1,194
Through Gonic Agency	6,777
Total Circulation for the year	61,094
Circulation per capita	4.43

CIRCULATION BY CLASSES:

	Main Library	E. Rochester	Gonic	Total
Fiction	17,050	951	179	18,180
Juvenile	16,778	112	4,880	21,770
Biography	2,789	37	1	2,827
Periodicals	5,620	0	1,548	7,168
General Works	193	1	41	235
Philosophy	373	11	0	384
Religion	567	5	10	582
Sociology	1,196	17	16	1,229
Philology	144	0	0	144
Science	1,758	7	15	1,280
Useful Arts	1,731	5	27	1,763
Fine Arts	1,312	6	36	1,354
Literature	1,303	15	4	1,322
History	2,809	27	20	2,856
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Total	53,123	1,194	6,777	61,094

READERS

Number of readers and students counted:	
Adult	8,938
Children	3,682
Total for year	12,620

ROUTINE WORK

Number of books, periodicals and pamphlets charged for use in library	4,448
Number of volumes issued to teachers for school work	2,655
Number of volumes used by students for required reading	1,239
Number of volumes repaired at the library	7,839
Number of volumes rebound	17
Number of volumes selected and prepared for agencies	2,270
Number of volumes transferred to basement	53
Number of volumes borrowed from State Library	64
Periodicals and pamphlets filed	4,195
Reserve postals sent	1,130
Notices sent for overdue books	811

PUBLIC LIBRARY RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1956	\$895.34
City of Rochester, N. H., Appropriation	16,000.00
Interest on invested funds	675.00
M. Felice Baril, Librarian, fines and sundry receipts	1,038.00
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	\$18,608.34

EXPENDITURES

Books	\$1,970.42
Periodicals	410.22
Binding	69.58
Printing, supplies and incidentals	373.64
Building repairs and supplies	5.00
Lighting and lighting supplies	528.43
Telephone	124.04
Insurance	28.87
Fuel	1,081.81
Expenses of Gonic Agency	210.00
Employees' retirement	641.40
Salaries	12,592.54
Miscellaneous	78.77
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	\$18,114.72
Balance December 31, 1956	493.62
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	\$18,608.34

BEQUESTS

John McDuffee Annex Fund	\$5,000.00
Samuel D. Felker Fund	5,000.00
Charles and Aroline Greenfield Fund	5,000.00
John Greenfield Fund	5,000.00

John Hanscam Fund	5,000.00
Jennie Farrington Annex Fund	1,900.00
Sarah E. Varney Fund	1,000.00
Olive Maria Woodward Fund	256.86
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	\$27,256.86

GIFTS

48 volumes, 351 pamphlets, 429 periodicals, 23 subscriptions, Christmas decorations, plants, flowers, and floral displays through the year.

PETTY CASH AT MAIN LIBRARY
REPORT FOR 1956

Amount of money on hand January 1, 1956	\$94.45
Received from fines and other sources	1,032.25
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	\$1,126.70
Turned over to City Treasurer,	\$1,038.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1956	88.70
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	\$1,126.70

Respectfully submitted,

M. FELICE BARIL,
Librarian.

Annual Report of the

SCHOOL BOARD OF THE CITY OF ROCHESTER

For the Year ending December 31, 1956

School Board—City of Rochester

As Organized for 1956

Chairman, HON. ROBERT W. WATSON

Ward One—Herman L. Robinson, Howard R. Holt

Ward Two—John L. Hartigan, Tathiana S. Klinger

Ward Three—John M. Meader, Edith F. Mitchell

Ward Four—Wilfred Desaulnier, Leo E. Beaudoin

Ward Five—G. Frederic Wagner, W. Bradley Corson

Ward Six—Ronald C. Taylor, Percy C. Grigg

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1956

Finance—Mayor, Wagner, Corson

Teachers and Salaries—Beaudoin, Meader, Hartigan, Grigg, Mitchell

Studies, Textbooks and Supplies—Taylor, Klinger, Corson

Schoolhouses and Grounds—Desaulnier, Meader, Robinson

Transportation—Wagner, Grigg, Mitchell

Vocational Training—Robinson, Holt, Klinger

Athletics—Hartigan, Beaudoin, Desaulnier, Holt, Taylor

Floodlight Committee, SHS—Members of Committee on Schoolhouses and Grounds of the School Board and Public Buildings Committee of the City Council

School Board—City of Rochester

As Organized for 1957

Chairman, HON. ROBERT W. WATSON

Ward One—Howard R. Holt, Richard S. Parker

Ward Two—Tathiana S. Klinger, John L. Hartigan

Ward Three—Edith F. Mitchell, Jerome J. Lachance

Ward Four—Leo E. Beaudoin, Joseph J. Hebert

Ward Five—W. Bradley Corson, G. Frederic Wagner

Ward Six—Percy C. Grigg, Ronald C. Taylor

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1957

Finance—Mayor, Wagner, Corson

Teachers and Salaries—Beaudoin, Hartigan, Grigg, Mitchell, Hebert

Studies, Textbooks and Supplies—Taylor, Klinger, Lachance

Schoolhouses and Grounds—Holt, Corson, Klinger

Transportation—Wagner, Grigg, Mitchell
Vocational Training—Parker, Holt, Hebert
Athletics—Hartigan, Beaudoin, Parker, Lachance, Taylor
Floodlight Committee, SHS—Members of Committee on School-
 houses and Grounds of the School Board and Public Build-
 ings Committee of the City Council

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS AND
 SECRETARY TO THE BOARD
 JOHN H. FRYE

SECRETARY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
 MYRTLE LOWE CHENEY

CLLERK
 ROSE E. HARTFORD

ATTENDANCE OFFICER
 FRANK N. DOW

Office at City Building open from 8:00 to 12 A.M. and 1:00
 to 5:00 P.M. except on week-ends and holidays.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Rochester School Board:

I herewith submit my eighth annual report as Superin-
 tendent of Schools in Rochester.

This report includes information taken from the official
 records of the School Department, special accounts and statisti-
 cal summaries.

TEACHER CHANGES

Two high school and five elementary teachers left the Ro-
 chester school system during the calendar year 1956. Mr. Ro-
 land Morrison and Mr. Robert Soukup, both resigned from
 teaching positions at Spaulding High School to work in indus-
 try. Mrs. Jean Edgerly and Mrs. Arline Woodman resigned
 from teaching positions at the School Street and Allen Schools
 respectively in April 1956. The following teachers resigned at
 the close of the school year in June: Mrs. Lola Burns, Grade 6,
 East Rochester School; Mrs. Ruth Watson, Grade 4, Maple
 Street School; and Mrs. Beth Jessup, Grade 2, Allen School.

Replacements for the above positions are shown in the com-
 plete list of teachers herewith as of December 31, 1956.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1956

School	Subjects or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
Superintendent Spaulding High Principal Ass't Principal Administrative Assistant		John H. Frye	Keene Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
		John M. Cotton	Univ. of N. H. Grad. School Univ. of New Hampshire Harvard Grad. School of Ed.	M.Ed. B.S. M.Ed.	Rochester
	Hd. Ind. Arts Dept. and Dir. of Visual Aids	Harold W. Hanson	General Electric		Rochester
	Mach. Sh., Sh. Math., Guidance	Harry W. Grierson	Columbia University	Ed. D.	Rochester
	Commerce, Soc. Science	Marion B. Abbott	Plymouth Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Physics, Gen. Sci.	Theodore H. Ayer	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Milton Mills
	Commerce	Frances Bailey	Plymouth Normal School	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Shop, Grs. 7-8	Charles W. Beard	Keene Normal School	B.Ed.	E. Rochester
	Math., Eng., Grs. 7-8	Edwin A. Blackey, Sr.	Penn. State College	M.Ed.	Tamworth
	Chem., Gen. Science	J. Donald Callbeck	Brewster Academy		Rochester
	English	Marguerite T. Cham- berlain	Boston University	M.Ed.	Rochester
	Soc. Sci., Hd. Dept.; Guidance	Helen F. Chase	Plymouth Normal School	B.Ed.	Alton
	Mathematics	Kenneth M. Clark	Bates College	A.B.	Rochester
	Librarian	H. Rosamon Cole	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.	
			Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	E. Wolfeboro
			Simmons College	B.S.	Hillsboro
			Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	
			Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Math.; Gen. Science Grs. 7-8	A. Marie Collins			
	French, English, Latin	Beatrice N. Cornish	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Rochester
	Soc. Studies, Coach Football, Baseball	Leonard W. D'Errico			
			Boston University	M.Ed.	Cranston, R. I.

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1956

School	Subjects or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
	Cabinet Shop	Ernando J. DeVittori	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	English	Marion Dow	Fitchburg Teachers College	M.Ed.	Rochester
	Auto and Mach. Shops	Wilbur M. Fay	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Physical Ed., Girls 7-12	Marjorie O. Fisk	Wentworth Institute	B.S.	Dover
	Soc. Science, Dramatics	Nedra R. Flaker	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Rochester
	Math., Soc. Studies	Dorothy G. Flint	Bates College	M.A.	Rochester
			Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
			Boston University	M.A.	
	Art, Grs. 7-12	Sigrid A. Francis	Wayne University	B.S.	Ossipee
	Home Ec., Grs. 7-8	Martha F. Grierson	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Rochester
	Elec., Mech. Dr., Auto Driving	Francis D. Hackett	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Gen. Sci., Grs. 7-8; Ass't Coach	Martin E. Harwood	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed.	Rochester
	Eng., Guidance, Grs. 7-8	Thomas E. Hennessey	Boston University	M.Ed.	Rochester
			Norwich University	B.A.	Rochester
			Boston University	M.Ed.	
			Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Somersworth
	Soc. Studies, Math., Grs. 7-8	George N. Hurley	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Rochester
	Soc. Studies, Eng., Grs. 7-8	Erma A. Jackson	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.Ed.	Durham
	English	Edith G. Kelley	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.	Dover
	Math., Hist., Eng., Grs. 7-8	Charlotte Leighton	Plymouth Normal School	B.A.	Rochester
	Biology, Latin, Hd. Sci. Dept., Track C. Agriculture	Benjamin W. Mooney	Univ. of New Hampshire	M.A.	Rochester
		Jerald K. Quimby	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S.	Dover

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1956

School	Subjects or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
Allen	History, Math., Grs. 7-8	Mary W. Rhodes	Portsmouth Training School		Rochester
	Math., Hd. Math. Dept.	Robert S. Soukup	Tufts College	M.Ed.	E. Rochester
	Home Economics	Lola M. Springfield	Nasson Institute	B.S.	Gonic
	Commerce, Social Sci.	Eva L. Stevenson	Bryant & Stratton		Barrington
	Dir. Athletics, Phys. Ed. 7-12	Richard T. Wescott	Colby College	A.B.	Rochester
	English, Hd. English Dept.	Irene W. Wight	Boston University	M.Ed.	Somersworth
	I	Bernice E. Frye	Portsmouth Training School		Portsmouth
	II-	Phyllis J. Bliss	Wheelock Kindergarten School		Rochester
	IIIa	Dorothy N. Bullard	Plymouth Normal School		Dover
	IIIb	Frances W. Scott	Aroostook Teachers College		Union
School St.	IVa	Doris R. McBride	Tufts College	A.B.	Rochester
	IVb	Blanche S. Young	Lesley Normal School		Somersworth
	V	Florence F. Harding	Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
	VI	Erma R. Goodwin	Gorham Normal School		Rochester
	I	Flora V. Wotton	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	II	Jane McDonald	Keene Normal School		Rochester
	III	Helen G. MacLeod	Keene Normal College		Rochester
	IVa	Martha L. Lamb	Kansas Junior College		Rochester
	IVb	Marion E. Nelson	Boston University	B.S.	Rochester
	V	Drina P. Blanchette	Plymouth Teachers College	B.Ed.	Rochester
Maple	VI	Therese L. Carroll	Colby College		Rochester
	Ia	Belle T. Morse	Farmington Normal School		Rochester
	IIb	Mildred E. Whipple	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
	IIIa	Blanche M. Morse	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IIb	Madeline J. Whitcomb	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester

TEACHERS, DECEMBER 31, 1956

School	Subjects or Grade	Name	Educational Preparation	Advanced Degree	Home
Gonic	IIIa	Janet C. Berry	Boston University	B.S.	New Durham
	IIIb	Naomi J. Morrill	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IV	Maryann Lacasse	Plymouth Teachers College	B.Ed	Rochester
	V	Winnifred S. Cotton	Gorham High School		Rochester
	VI	Helen C. Hennessey	North Adams Normal School		Somersworth
	I	Helen C. Marison	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed	Farmington
	II	Elsie M. King	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed	Rochester
	III	Hilda H. Gerrish	Plymouth Normal School		Northwood
	IV	Lillian Davis	Boston University	B.S.	Reed's Ferry
	V	Charlotte E. McKay	Keene Teachers College	B.Ed	Barrington
E. Rochester	VI	Beverly M. Shackford	Un v. of New Hampshire	M.Ed	Farmington
	I	G. Elaine Mahoney	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	II	Isabelle V. Hartford	Gorham Normal School		Lebanon, Me.
	III	Hazel C. Fay	Plymouth Normal School		Rochester
	IV	Ellen H. Tuttle	Plymouth Normal School		Gonic
Grades 1-12	V	Margaret P. Davenport	Gorham Normal School		Rochester
	VI	Helen E. Lord	Keene Normal School		Rochester
	Supervisor of Instrumental Music	Edward J. Madden	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.S	Rochester
Grades 1-12	Supervisor, Vocal Mus.	Nancy A. Paulsen	Univ. of New Hampshire	R.S	Cascade
	Elen. Phys. Ed.; Ass't Coach SHS	Frank L. Jacques, Jr.	Univ. of Massachusetts	B.S.	Rochester
Grades 1-12	School Nurse	Nora C. Scabill	Gale Hospital	R.N.	Rochester

ENROLLMENTS

Enrollments in the elementary schools, Grades 1-6, have increased from 794 in December 1948 to 1,131 in December 1956. During the same period enrollments in Grades 7-12 increased from 923 to 944. A study of present enrollments by grades indicates that there will be at least 1,150 elementary and 1,060 high school pupils enrolled as of December 1957. The school census report for 1956 lists about 300 children born annually in Rochester for the last five years. Over a period of many years approximately one-third of the pupils attend the private schools in Rochester. These facts indicate a steady increase in enrollments in both the high and elementary public schools for several years to come.

Due to the increase of enrollments and teacher-load two additional high school and two additional elementary teachers will be needed next year.

In 1948 there were 39 teachers and 923 pupils at Spaulding High School. Forty-one teachers will be needed in this building next year.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

The construction of a new elementary school building in Rochester for use at the beginning of the school year in September 1957 will solve the immediate problem of congestion in the lower grades. When the present increase in the number of elementary pupils reaches high school the problem will present itself again.

Spaulding High School was designed for a normal enrollment of 900 pupils or 1,200 by dual use of rooms. It is being operated at more than normal capacity at the present time with an enrollment of 944 pupils.

Four of the five elementary schools need reconditioning. The classrooms in these buildings need redecorating with fresh paint. Several ceilings should be replaced in the halls and classrooms. A coat of fire resistant paint on the hallway walls would add to the appearance of the buildings and the safety of the children. It appears that automatic sprinklers in the boiler rooms would be a good investment.

Each elementary school building is equipped with two separate alarms; one for clearing the building in case of fire and the other for civilian defense purposes. Inspection reports show that all the schools can be vacated in orderly fashion in less than two minutes.

The trend toward a forty-hour week makes the problem of adequate janitor service a difficult one. Our present steam heating systems in the elementary schools burn soft coal and require attention after school hours and on week-ends in cold weather. The installation of automatic oil burners would shorten the time required for janitors but add considerably to the present high cost of fuel.

THE McCLELLAND SCHOOL

The results of a study, made by a School Board committee,

to determine classroom needs in Rochester was included in the 1955 annual report of the School Department.

An official Building Committee, including six members of the School Board and six members of the City Council and the Mayor ex officio provided in accordance with N.H.R.S.A. Chapter 199, Section 3, started work early in 1956 on plans for a new elementary school building in Rochester. The committee consisted of John Meader, Chairman, Leo Beaudoin, Frederic Wagner, Dr. Percy Grigg, Herman Robinson, Tathiana Klinger, Richard Wiley, John Campbell, Sumner Watson, Melvin Downing, Oscar Turmelle, Marc Lemoyne and Mayor Robert Watson ex officio. This same committee was subsequently given the authority to obtain bids, negotiate contracts, build the school, purchase equipment and furniture, select an architect, employ a clerk of the works and pay all bills from a special account for this purpose including architect's fees, insurance, costs of site and site development and to transact any other business that might be necessary to complete the project and provide a new school for use at the beginning of the new school year in September 1957.

A site on Brock Street, consisting of about twenty-five acres, was selected for the new school in April 1956. This site was approved according to the statutes pertaining thereto and purchased following action by the City Council at a cost of \$8,500 including a house thereon which was later sold and moved. Other sites had been considered.

The firm of Tracy and Hildreth of Nashua was selected as the architect. Work on preliminary plans started in June 1956.

General plans, providing for the construction of an eight classroom elementary school building and all purpose room, with offices, kitchen, and storage space and service rooms, were approved in September. It was decided at that time to erect a building designed on an extendible plan so that additional classrooms could be added at a later date without changes in the plumbing, heating, and electric installations.

Estimates on the approved plans were obtained and bids solicited. Mr. David W. Davison of Manchester was the lowest bidder and was awarded the general contract. The following budget for the project was approved:

General contract,	\$255,052.00
Equipment and fixtures,	24,000.00
Site development,	15,000.00
Salary for Clerk of the Works,	3,000.00
Insurance,	1,200.00
Architect's fee,	15,000.00
Bond issue and miscellaneous items,	2,748.00

Total,	\$316,000.00
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The sum of \$316,000.00 was raised and appropriated by the Rochester City Council for the construction, equipment, and furnishings of the new building, including landscaping, site development, fees, salaries and insurance. A bond issue for the above amount was authorized with the Finance Committee of the Council empowered to determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds would be issued.

The Merchants National Bank of Boston was awarded the contract to negotiate the bond issue. The schedule of sixteen annual payments includes an initial payment of \$21,000.00, fourteen payments at \$20,000.00 each and the final payment of \$15,000.00. The bonds were purchased by Smith Barney and Company with Lyons and Shafto, Inc. of Boston at an interest rate of three per cent less premiums.

The McClelland School was so named in honor of the owner of the property, Robert J. McClelland, who made it available for school purposes at a low price.

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1955-1956

	No. Pupils Registered*	Boys	Girls	Average Attendance	Average Absence	Average Membership	Percent of Attendance	No. of Tardinesses
ALLEN SCHOOL								
Bernice E. Frye	41	24	17	35.2	2.7	37.9	92.9	16
Phyllis J. Bliss	25	11	14	23.5	.8	21.3	96.8	13
Beth S. Jessup	27	16	11	23.6	1.5	25.1	94.2	17
Dorothy N. Bullard	25	15	11	23.8	1.5	25.3	94.2	4
Frances W. Scott	28	12	16	24.1	1.4	25.5	91.5	22
Blanche S. Young	41	22	19	36.2	1.5	37.7	95.9	212
Arlene L. Woodman	42	23	19	37.1	1.7	38.8	95.8	5
Erma R. Goodwin	34	13	21	31.9	1.2	33.1	96.5	5
SCHOOL ST. SCHOOL								
Flora V. Wotton	42	22	20	38.5	2.7	41.2	93.5	34
Jane McDonald	25	13	13	25.5	1.3	26.8	95.3	8
Jean W. Edgerly	34	17	17	30.5	1.4	31.9	95.6	3
Helen G. MacLeod	33	17	16	31.0	1.4	32.4	95.6	11
Marion E. Nelson	41	20	21	38.6	1.5	40.1	96.2	9
Drina P. Blanchette	40	17	23	36.7	2.0	38.7	94.8	20
Theresa L. Carroll	31	17	14	29.8	.9	30.7	96.7	21
MAPLE ST. SCHOOL								
Belle T. Morse	28	18	10	23.3	2.5	25.8	90.1	17
Mildred E. Whipple	27	15	12	23.1	2.0	25.1	92.1	17
Blanche M. Morse	34	16	18	30.3	2.2	32.5	93.2	15
Madelne J. Whitcomb	33	21	12	30.5	2.5	33.0	92.4	16
Naomi J. Morrill	27	2	17	32.1	2.0	34.1	94.3	9
Ruth F. Watson	41	18	23	38.7	1.5	40.2	96.2	15
Winnifred S. Cotton	42	26	16	36.1	1.4	37.5	96.4	28
Helen F. Hennessey	37	12	25	34.3	2.0	36.3	94.5	11
GONIC SCHOOL								
Helen C. Marison	44	23	21	34.0	2.2	36.2	94.0	34
Elsie M. King	36	20	16	29.9	1.7	31.6	94.5	28
Hilda H. Gerrish	37	20	17	28.3	1.7	30.0	94.5	12
Lillian Davis	33	15	18	28.8	1.7	30.5	94.4	11
Charlotte E. McKay	29	15	14	23.4	2.0	25.4	92.2	21
Beverly M. Shackford	31	15	16	25.8	1.8	27.6	93.5	20
EAST ROCHESTER SCHOOL								
G. Elaine Mahoney	29	10	19	25.7	1.7	27.4	94.0	4
Isabelle V. Hartford	39	22	17	33.0	1.7	34.7	95.2	18
Hazel C. Fay	32	20	12	30.7	1.8	32.5	94.3	17
Ellen H. Tuttle	33	17	16	30.2	1.2	31.4	96.2	12
Margaret P. Davenport	25	14	12	24.5	.9	25.4	96.3	4
Lola T. Burns	19	11	8	16.8	.5	17.3	97.2	3
High School, Grs. 7-8	355	185	170	319.9	16.6	336.5	95.1	329
High School, Grs. 9-12	623	318	305	550.2	33.3	583.5	94.3	1474
	2156	1110	1046	1915.6	108.4	2024.0	94.6	2325
1945-46	1862	973	889	1585.20	109.13	1694.33	93.55	3277
1935-36	1648	836	812	1454.12	49.34	1503.46	96.71	837
1925-26	1401	724	677	1203.89	60.89	1264.78	95.18	793

* This excludes re-registration through transfer from one school to another in this city.

SCHOOL CENSUS REPORT
Resident Children, Rochester, N. H.
September 1956

Age Sept.1	Total No. of Children	No. Pupils Enrolled Within District		
		Public	Parochial	Private
Less than 1 year	235	****	****	****
1	320	****	****	****
2	301	****	****	****
3	291	****	****	****
4	289		6	23
5	307	43	35	25
6	277	160	116	
7	289	163	126	
8	332	192	136	1
9	359	231	126	1
10	273	168	103	
11	217	143	74	
12	226	144	80	
13	253	174	79	
14	223	173	48	
15	217	163	44	
16	184	127	24	1
17	177	92	22	6
18	167	26	6	45
Total	4,937	1,999	1,025	102

JANITORS, DECEMBER 31, 1956

Name of School	Name of Janitor	No. Weeks Employed	Pay Per Week
Spaulding High School	Wm. Grassie, head janitor	52	\$68.00
	Bernard Hunt	52	53.00
	Raymond C. Page	52	53.00
	Granville Rogers	52	53.00
	Raymond J. Seavey	52	53.00
	Ernest Winkley	52	53.00
Allen	Claudis Edgerly	52	54.39
East Rochester	Herman E. Thompson	52	54.39
Gonic	Lionel Theberge	52	54.39
Maple Street	Donald Sylvain	52	54.39
School Street	Robert Quint	52	54.39

Janitor service includes a full time custodian in each of the five elementary schools and six at Spaulding High School. Janitors at the high school are employed to work forty-five hours a week while the schools are in session. Janitors in the elementary buildings must be in the schools more than forty-five hours per week due to the nature of the work and type of heating equipment used. All janitors work on a five-day forty-hour week during the summer. Each janitor has two weeks' vacation with pay and eleven holidays with pay. If high school janitors are required to work on holidays they receive a full day's extra pay which amounts to double pay on such days. The work on holidays for extra pay is rotated among the janitor staff at the high school.

TRANSPORTATION ROUTES

December 31, 1956

Name	Route	Pay Per Week
Larry Cote	Farmington Road, Chestnut Hill Road, Washington St., Dry Hill Road, Hansonville, Oak Street	\$82.75
Richard Hervey	Ten Rod, Chestnut Hill, Cross, and Milton Roads	85.39
George E. Pray	Merrill's Corner, Crown Point, Strafford Road, Rochester Heights, Gonic Road, Charles Street	78.49

Roland R. Roberge	Salmon Falls and Whitehall Roads, Rochester Hill	68.16
Harvey E. Warburton	North Rochester, Milton and Salmon Falls Roads, Adams Corner	92.85
Sumner W. Watson	Rochester Neck, Blackwater, Road, Pickering Road, Old Dover Road, Flagg Road, Dry Hill Road and Oak Street	83.00
Interstate Passenger Service	Milton Road, Washington St., Rochester Heights, Lowell St., Tebbetts Road, Old Dover Road, Rochester Hill (Goodwin Park)	80.81

The several school bus routes, as listed above, will undoubtedly be revised prior to the opening of school in September 1957 due to the reassignment of pupils to six instead of five elementary schools.

GUIDANCE

Every effort is made to provide individual guidance counseling for all pupils throughout their entire school career. The program ranges from pre-school clinics to placement activities for graduates. In the lower grades the counseling function is served by the classroom teacher. In the upper grades the counseling of the home room teacher is supplemented by part time guidance workers. In addition to individual counseling other activities such as the pre-school clinic, grade six orientation day, the study of occupations in social science classes, and pre-scheduling preparation in the high school, help solve the individual problems of each child.

The testing program is invaluable as an aid to the guidance program. Achievement tests of the diagnostic type are administered yearly in grades one through eight. A guidance test battery is given in grade nine which includes an interest inventory, specialized mental ability tests, and aptitude tests. These tests, along with mental maturity tests, provide a basis for helping children explore those subjects and courses best suited to their abilities and interests, and to predetermine insofar as is possible their career choice. Standardized achievement tests have been given in the upper grades for several years.

Guidance records for each pupil in the system are kept in a folder which is available to teachers, counselors and other authorized personnel. All materials which would help in the understanding of each child are put into his own folder every year. This provides a cumulative record for each individual as he progresses through the system.

An alertness to the needs of each child is essential if he is to lead a happy and well adjusted school life and to realize his full potential as a person. The main function of guidance is to serve these ends.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1957-58

	No. Days
1. September 4 to December 20	74
Vacation—December 23-January 6	
2. January 6 to February 21	35
Vacation—February 24-28	
3. March 3 to April 25	39
Vacation—April 28-May 2	
4. May 5 to June 18	32
Total	180

"NO SCHOOL" DAYS

Sept. 2	Labor Day
3	Organization Day
16	Children's Day—Fair
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
28	Thanksgiving
29	Thanksgiving
Apr. 4	Good Friday
May 30	Memorial Day

Due to regulations of the State Board of Education, requiring sessions on 180 school days, it is recommended that the Rochester Public Schools shall not close due to inclement weather. School days lost in case of extreme emergencies will be made up by extending the school year in June 1958.

Parents are expected to show good judgment on school attendance whenever unusual conditions may affect the health or safety of their children.

NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

Twenty-two upon the fire alarm will be the signal for no school. When sounded at 7:05 and 7:45 all schools will be closed for the day. When sounded at 11:15 pupils will be dismissed at the usual morning closing hour for the rest of the day. The same signals will be sounded at Gonic and East Rochester. Notification will also be broadcast from Station WWNH and Station WHEB at 7:15 and 7:45.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956

SOURCES OF REVENUE

Rentals	\$381.00	
Tuitions, Grades 1-6	123.50	
Tuitions, Grades 7-12	25,520.90	
Federal Aid, Vocational Agriculture	2,139.91
Federal Aid, Public Law 874	16,738.28	
Appropriation	401,798.47	
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		\$446,702.06

EXPENDITURES

Administration:	
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	\$5,700.00
Tax for State-Wide Supervision	3,976.00
Salary of Other Administrative Personnel:	
Attendance Officer	876.00
Census	421.42
Secretaries	5,909.76
Supplies and Expenses:	
Postage	104.89
Printing and Office Supplies	608.36
Telephone	1,162.66
Travel	251.36
Instruction:	
Teachers' Salaries	286,864.32
Substitutes	2,097.00
Textbooks and Other Aids	6,692.06
Pupils' Supplies	8,654.34
Salary of Clerk	2,004.72
Vocational	3,032.34
Other Instructional Expenses:	
Graduation	176.64
Flags	50.02
Library and Reference Books	839.16
Testing Program	913.85
Travel	388.06
Operation of School Plant:	
Janitors' Salaries	30,443.86
Fuel	11,675.90
Janitors' Supplies	2,257.19
Light	6,130.70
Maintenance of School Plant:	
Repairs and Replacements	8,610.75
Auxiliary Activities:	
Health Supervision:	
Nurse	3,426.84
Physician and Medical Supplies ..	575.06
Transportation	22,120.35
Tuition for Handicapped children	123.00
Helping Teacher	88.00
Tuition for Foster Children	1,029.77
Fixed Charges:	
Retirement	22,135.25
Insurance	3,716.47
Social Security	60.27
Capital Outlay:	
New Equipment	1,958.15
Debt, Interest and Other Charges:	
Payments of Principal of Debt	1,530.00
Payments of Interest on Debt	97.54
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	\$446,702.06

ANNUAL REPORT ROCHESTER SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

July 1, 1955-June 30, 1956

I	Income:		
	Cash on Hand July 1, 1955	\$844.04	
	Children's Lunches	42,215.01	
	Adult Lunches	1,564.46	
	Government Reimbursement	6,352.62	
	Special Milk Reimbursement	2,949.44	
	Kiwanis Sponsored Lunches	577.75	
	Loan from Superintendent's Office Account	250.00	
	Miscellaneous	937.15	
	Total Income:		\$55,690.47
II	Expense:		
	Food	\$35,099.74	
	Labor:		
	Children	2,234.46	
	Adult	14,820.20	
	Equipment	1,174.74	
	Sundry	2,345.02	
			\$55,674.16
	Cash on Hand June 30, 1956		\$16.31
III	Assets:		
	Cash on Hand June 30, 1956	\$16.31	
	Inventory of June 30, 1956	1,139.80	
			\$1,156.11
IV	Liabilities:		
	Superintendent's Office Account	361.31	
	Assets Over Liabilities		\$794.80

CASSIE RICHARDSON,
School Lunch Supervisor.

In my opinion the above report is true and correct and the bank balance on June 30, 1956, has been verified.

PAUL H. BERGERON,
City Auditor.

January 18, 1957.

CONCLUSION

The year 1956 may be remembered as a period of transition in the Rochester schools. Many meetings have been held to solve the problems caused by increased enrollments, ever increasing costs, and new demands made on our schools. The results of this search for the best answers to this accumulation of problems will be shown in our schools in the years to come. The plans for a new elementary school building, the completion of surveys for the reassignment of pupils and revised bus

routes, the preparation of proposed revisions in the curriculum and length of school day, the provision for additional teachers, are attempts to serve the best interest of the pupils.

I wish to thank the members of the School Board, City officials, school employees, parents and citizens for their cooperation during the present year and for their time and efforts on plans for future improvements.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. FRYE,
Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT STUDENT ACTIVITY ASSOCIATION

September 6, 1955 to September 5, 1956

RECEIPTS

Checking account, September 6, 1955	\$2,375.06
Savings account	1,041.37
Sinking Fund	3,341.07
Red and White	1,283.50
Football	2,700.35
Basketball	1,740.33
Baseball	43.91
Dramatics	352.65
Music	634.88
Class of 1961	186.50
Class of 1960	187.90
Class of 1959	200.90
Class of 1958	295.01
Class of 1957	508.98
Class of 1956	1,998.34
Class of 1955	3.00
Miscellaneous	6,424.95
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	\$23,318.70

PAYMENTS

Sinking Fund	\$1,206.97
Red and White	1,086.93
Football	4,853.55
Basketball	1,653.94
Baseball	601.48
Dramatics	236.97
Track	210.58
Music and Debating	603.42
Class of 1958	15.70
Class of 1955	5.65
Class of 1956	2,874.29
Class of 1957	255.45

Miscellaneous	6,889.42
Check Book Balance, September 5, 1956	1,782.98
Savings Account	1,041.37
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	\$23,318.70

In addition to the Assets listed in the Balance Sheet, the Student Activity Association owns U. S. Savings Bonds and Stamps as follows:

Bonds:	
Due November, 1954	\$25.00
Due June, 1956	800.00
Stamps	8.00
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	\$833.00

I have audited the Student Activity Association Accounts for the year ending August 31, 1956, and I believe the foregoing Financial Statements to be true and correct.

PAUL H. BERGERON,
City Auditor.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1956

SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Thursday, June 14, 1956

At 8 P. M.

Rochester, New Hampshire

PROGRAM

Processional, "Pomp and Chivalry" *Roberts*
HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Invocation

REVEREND FLOYD KINSLEY

Welcome

VICTOR JOOS
President of Senior Class

Selections, "Dear Land of Home" (Finlandia) *Sibelius*
"Sine Nomine" *Williams*

HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR

Address

AUSTIN J. McCAFFREY
Commissioner of Education

Selection, Andante from Symphony No. 6 (Pathétique) *Tschaikowsky*

HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Awards

SUPERINTENDENT JOHN H. FRYE
PRINCIPAL JOHN M. COTTON

Class Ode

DAVID SCAHILL
Class of 1956

Presentation of Diplomas

MAYOR ROBERT W. WATSON
Chairman of the School Board

Alma Mater

Class of 1956
CYNTHIA SPRUNGER, 1956

Benediction

REVEREND MARSHALL STEVENSON

Recessional, Recessional March

HIGH SCHOOL BAND

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All are invited to a Reception to the Graduates in
the Gymnasium immediately following the Exercises.

CLASS OF 1956

CLASS OFFICERS

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

VICTOR JOOS
 DONALD COSSETTE
 JEAN HICKEY
 ANITA GRONDIN

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

SANDRA BOSTON
 PAULA BELANGER

BRUCE TURNER
 DONALD MAIN

Class Advisors

MRS. MARION ABBOTT

MR. THEODORE AYER

MOTTO

"With God Leading, We Press Onward"

CLASS COLORS
Red and White

CLASS FLOWER
Red Carnation

Class Marshal, RALPH DODGE, '57

MEMBERS OF CLASS OF 1956

Roy Joseph Allain, Jr.	William Neal King
John William Almond	Charles Roger Kondrup
Gerald Francis Austin	Nancy Jane Lachance
*Charles Laurence Ballou	Joyce May Lagasse
Margaret Henrietta Banker	Shirley Lorraine Landry
Roland James Baxter	*Mcna Ellen Lane
Paula Jean Belanger	Gerald Forrest Lang
Raymond Eugene	Armand Joseph Larochelle
Bellemeur, Jr.	Conrad Henry Lemieux
Donald Lee Berry	Peter Low
*Wesley Bruce Bickford	Loretta Jane Lyons
Alice Susie Blanchard	Carolyn Star MacDonald
Sandra Anne Boston	Alden Raymond MacKay
Norma Joan Brewer	Neal Nysen Madow
Priscilla Joyce Canney	Donald Joseph Main
Roger Edson Carpenter	Joyce Mann
Constance Ann Charles	Mary Catherine Maxfield
Ronald Richard Chasse	John David Meader
Carolyn Ann Chick	Carol Elizabeth Moon
Byron Elmer Clark, Jr.	Sallyann Morgan
George Harry Cook	*Elizabeth Ann Morse
Paul Lawrence Coty, Jr.	Lois Merle Morse
Marjorie Lillian Coulombe	Frank Wyse Murray
Maryanne Margaret Couture	Diane Joan O'Neil
Jon Porter Cram	Marion Harriett Owen
Edward Louis Dadura	Roger Ellsworth Phillips
Martin Albert DesMarais	Deane Alan Preston
*Joanne Marie Doe	Judith Ann Randlett
Bruce Durward Drapeau	Carol Doris Richards

Richard Donald Dubois	Janice Elaine Roy
Beverly Mae Durdan	Lois Mae Ruggero
Beverly Josephine Edgerly	Lynda Louise St. Cyr
Edward Thomas Foster	David Lee Scahill
*Richard Henry Frye	Joan Armnellar Schafer
Ronald Erlon Furbush	Gail Ann Seavey
Gerald Arnold Gagne	*Gail Joanne Small
Betty Lou Gallagher	Beverly Kathleen Smith
Robert Irving Garland	James Russell Southworth
Richard Patrick Green	Cynthia Jean Sprunger
Anita Louise Grondin	Nancy Jane Spurling
Sylvia Anne Hall	Rolf Robert Staples
Mary Ann Hansen	Shirley Sylvia Strachan
Harry Edward Hanson, Jr.	John Lawrence Sullivan
Maurice Arthur Harmon	Betty Mary Tebbetts
Russell Dudley Hayes	Gloria Ann Thomas
Robert Edwin Henderson	Jean Elsie Towle
Janet Louise Herron	Bruce Wellington Turner
*Anne Madelon Hescock	Glenita Gail Tuttle
*Jean Ann Hickey	Patricia Barbara Walker
Jeannette Elizabeth Hilton	Peter Drew Watson
Charles William Holland, Jr.	Sylvia Ann Weare
Francis William Howard	Donald Earl Wells
Peter Kip Howland	Janet Ann Weymouth
Harold Robert Hurd	David Richard Wilkinson
Betty Ann Jacobs	Ann Marie Willette
Janice Ida Jacobs	Melvin Frank Williams
*Victor Joseph Joos, Jr.	Carolyn Patricia Woodes
Evelyn Lucille Junkins	Melton Douglas Zinck
Francine Gail Keene	

* Members of the National Honor Society.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS

By ROBERT W. WATSON, *Mayor*

January 2, 1957

Gentlemen of the Council:

As I am about to assume my duties as your Mayor for the year 1957, I do so with a certain feeling of satisfaction because of what has been accomplished during the past year.

We have been able to fulfill part of the long range program which I had planned for our City, and together we must look forward to the continuation of this plan.

Our fellow citizens have displayed their trust in us by placing us in our respective offices to govern our City with wisdom and deliberation.

During the past year we finally realized a new community swimming pool; Summer Street was resurfaced; miles of City streets were repaired and new streets were constructed to service our ever-increasing population. Together, we have done our best to modernize our Public Works, Police and Fire Departments to provide adequate facilities and protection for our citizens and those travelers who pass through our City and choose to stop and spend some time with us.

This new year 1957 should be a productive year for the City of Rochester. We are about to begin construction of the McClelland Elementary School, which should relieve congested conditions in our classrooms.

We must continue our street building and resurfacing program, together with a recreational program for the young people of our community. The McClelland School will help to give our children better facilities for sports activities, and will relieve the Maple Street School Gymnasium for that use for which it was intended.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the 1956 Council for their splendid cooperation and ask the continued cooperation of you gentlemen, so that I might carry on my program for the coming year.

CITY GOVERNMENT

AS ORGANIZED JANUARY 1, 1957

Mayor, ROBERT W. WATSON

COUNCILMEN

Ward One—Reginald G. Hurd, Sr., Richard N. Wiley, Norman F. Blaisdell.

Ward Two—John F. Campbell, Floyd H. Busch, Scott G. Winkley.

Ward Three—Edgar J. Carignan, Neree Anctil, Sumner W. Watson.

Ward Four—Marc E. Lemoyne, Sylvio A. Levesque, J. Paul LaRoche.

Ward Five—Elmer R. Waitt, Melvin E. Downing, Brede S. Klefos.

Ward Six—Sherman M. Reed, Oscar J. Turmelle, Albert K. Locke.

City Clerk—D. Arlene Baker.

City Solicitor—Robert A. Carignan.

City Treasurer—Lorraine Callaghan.

City Accountant—Paul H. Bergeron.

Collector of Taxes—Downing W. Osborne.

Commissioner of Public Works—George C. Nadeau.

Chief of Police—Ernest J. Levesque.

Deputy Chief of Police—Nelson E. Goodfield.

Sergeant—Clarence A. Woods.

Patrolmen—Deus Levesque, Leland L. Waterhouse, Laurent V. Autotte, Arnold Horn, Sidney J. Hurley, Nelson S. Hatch, Joseph G. Zuromskis, Willis M. Hayes, Charles E. Dame, Alvah L. Cox, Nelson Moreland, Raymond E. Ellis.

Chief Engineer of Fire Department—Ralph G. Seavey.

Deputy Chief Engineers of Fire Department—Ralph W. Dunlap, Charles R. Grenier, John Meader.

Overseer of Poor—Leo E. Beaudoin.

Sanitary Officer—Frank N. Dow.

City Physician—Charles E. Moors, Jr.

Board of Health—Frank N. Dow, Charles E. Moors, Jr., Leo E. Beaudoin.

Plumbers' Examining Board—Joseph A. Rainville, Beverly H. Davis, Frank N. Dow.

Assessors—George J. Potvin, Albert R. Chalmers, Albert L. Mabbett.

Trustees of Trust Funds—Bernard F. Nixon, Walter A. Bickford, Wallace Hussey.

Trustees of Public Library—Sumner W. Watson, Lucien G. Paradis, Albert C. Hervey, Harold E. Copeland, Reginald G. Hurd, Sr., Winifred E. Hartigan.

Licensing Board—Mayor Robert W. Watson, Chief of Police Ernest J. Levesque, City Accountant Paul H. Bergeron.

Manager of City Hall Auditorium—Frank B. Miller.

Building Inspector—Miles H. Dustin.

Janitor—Odilon Ferland.

Janitor, East Rochester Hall—Everett H. Johnson.

Janitor, Gonic Hall—Telles Dolbec.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Clifford J. Grenier.

Public Weighers—Dana Copp, Chester A. Davis, J. Raymond Fisher, Wallace N. Fisher, Miles Hill, Robert Hussey, Charles Mattocks, J. A. Morrill, Albert C. Mortimer, Roger E. Page, Orlando E. Pickering, Hill Pollard, George Sewell, Chester H. Smith, Olive Page Tufts, Albert Warburton, Joseph Woodes, Bert Woodward.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber—Arthur Bonenfant, Frank Hazelton, George J. Potvin, Arthur S. Wallace, Walter Williams.

Fence Viewers—Harry F. Lemke, Frank B. Pinkham.

STANDING COMMITTEES, 1957

Finance—Mayor, Watson, Waitt.

Public Works—Mayor, Watson, Levesque, Carignan, Hurd, Busch, Turmelle.

Police Budget Committee—Mayor, Lemoyne, Reed.

Fire Department—Levesque, Winkley, Klefos.

Legal Affairs—Mayor, Campbell, Wiley.

Claims and Accounts—Mayor, Carignan, Downing.

Public Buildings—Ancil, Busch, Reed.

Purchasing—Mayor, Lemoyne, Waitt.

Traffic—LaRoche, Downing, Locke.

Street Lights—Winkley, Lemoyne, Turmelle.

Elections—Carignan, Campbell, Locke.

Bills in Second Reading—Campbell, Ancil, Downing.

Recreation—Hurd, Blaisdell, Waitt.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ernest W. Campbell, Chairman; Albert C. Hervey, Secretary;
Donald Keller, John C. Richardson, Jr., Ludger J. Cossette.

ROCHESTER PLANNING BOARD

Mayor Robert W. Watson; Paul H. Bergeron, Secretary; Sylvio A. Levesque, Ernest L. Rolfe, John Meader, Dennis E. Brennan, J. Paul LaRoche, Herve E. Lagasse, Albert L. Mabbett.

SELECTMEN AS OF 1957

Ward One—George Pray, Quentin McKenney, Victor Cardosi, Jr.

Ward Two—Randolph Conrad, Thomas Powers, Harold Lincoln, Jr.

Ward Three—Teresa Watson, Diana Lachapelle, Rita L. Carignan.

Ward Four—Angelina Morin, Roger Larochelle, Anita M. Perreault.

Ward Five—Melvin Downing, William E. Gerrish, Albert C. Hervey.

Ward Six—Frank Muggleston, Philip Estes, Vernon E. Hersom.

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